

ELY TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 15, 2025 – 6:00pm
MEETING IS BEING RECORDED

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Jeremy Laakso called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was in order.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

Jeremy Laakso, Supervisor; Glenn Wing, Clerk; Dawn Schuhknecht, Treasurer; Andy Andrews, Trustee – Present
Julie Hosang Trustee- Absent

PUBLIC PRESENT

Lou Ouellette, Ed Young, and Al Harris

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Wing, supported by Schuhknecht to approve the Agenda. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0.
Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

None

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Previous Minutes
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Clerk's Report
- D. Pay Bills
- E. Assessor Report
- F. First Responders Report
- G. Supervisor Report
- H. Water System Operator Report
- I. Planning Commission Minutes

Motion by Wing, supported by Schuhknecht to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0.
Motion carried.

BUDGET REVIEW

There were some adjustments and they are listed in the supervisor's report. Motion by Wing, supported by Andrews to approve the discussed budget adjustments. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0.
Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OVERVIEW

Supervisor Laakso reported it was a short meeting. NMU was not present because of the professor having Covid. CUPPAD did not show up. They discussed lack of an easement on the 40 acres.

Corrpro Contract Greenwood Water Tank (\$670)

Motion by Wing, support by Laakso to pay invoice of \$670 Ayes- 4 Nays- 0 Motion Carried

2024 Financial Audit

Audit went smoothly with no issues or problems. Motion by Wing support by Schuhknecht to pay the audit fee of \$6500 Ayes- 4 Nays- 0 Motion Carried

444 County Road CKK Burned House

Supervisor Laakso appointed Jim Nankervis to be the hearing officer for the dangerous building ordinance. At the rate of \$100 per hour. He will begin the collecting needed information to have a hearing on 444 County Road CKK property.

WETESA Budget Resolution

Motion made by Laakso, supported by to approve the resolution setting each Township's financial obligation. Ely \$34,247.31 Roll Call vote Andrews aye , Schuhknecht Aye, Wing Aye, Laakso Aye . Resolution Passed .

OPG Contract

Contract for copier services for 2025 \$649.16.

Motion by Wing, support by Andrews to approve paying the contract Ayes 4 Nays 0

Hannula Insurance Bill for Water system Bond \$250

Supervisor Laakso stated we no longer have a water system bond and will look into this bill. No action taken.

Marquette County ORV Notice

Notice of the renewal of the Marquette ORV ordinance. Ely Township applies the ordinance without additions or subtractions and no action was required.

WMCA Per Capita Fee (\$3800)

Motion by Laakso, supported by Schuhknecht to approve paying the per capita fee of \$3800 Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

None

BOARD COMMENTS

Supervisor Laakso had a number of issues that he touched on including:

1. Called the County Treasurer and started the process of Ely Township acquiring the Diorite School at the upcoming tax sale
2. Windows for hall ordered and will be delivered the last week of January with installation to follow the first week of February..
3. Looking into the hiring of high school student help during the summer to help the maintenance worker.
4. Made board aware there is a zoning fee to split property but not to join properties. Motion made by Laakso and supported by Schuhknecht to charge the same to join properties as is charged to split property (\$105) Ayes 4 Nays 0
5. Sent out letters to all open violations of the Zoning Ordinance.
6. Schuhknecht asked about the Quinell campground and Supervisor Laakso said it is no longer operating and will not operate until permits and conditions are approved by Zoning.

Wing informed the board that the election storage project is complete and the final paperwork was submitted for the grant.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Wing, Clerk