

ELY TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 18, 2025 – 6:00pm
MEETING IS BEING RECORDED

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

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

PUBLIC PRESENT

Alyse Annala, Matt Annala

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Hosang, supported by Schuhknecht to approve the Agenda. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0.
Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

None

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Previous Minutes
- B. Treasurer's Report (remove from consent agenda)
- 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 Andrews to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0.
Motion carried.

BUDGET REVIEW

There were some adjustments and they are listed in the supervisor's report. Motion by Wing, supported by Schuhknecht to approve the discussed budget adjustments. Ayes – 5, Nays – 0.
Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OVERVIEW

Supervisor Laakso attended the meeting and discussed the need for the planning commission to get moving on projects in front of them and he helped the commission to prioritize and schedule the current items on their list.

MRWA Membership Dues (\$415)

Motion by Laakso, supported by Wing to pay the dues. Ayes- 5 Nays- 0 Motion Carried.

T-Mobile Phone and Internet Discussion

Discussed a proposal to move our phone service to T-Mobile. No apparent savings. No action taken.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Schuhknecht discussed her plan to designate \$400,000 for future road repairs and move it from the General Fund to higher interest bearing accounts until needed. Discussion was also held on how large a budget surplus we needed to carry in case of emergency expenses.

Discussion of the former Diorite School Property.

A discussion was held about purchasing or pursuing condemnation proceedings on the property. The first step in a condemnation is to make a good faith effort to purchase the property at market value. A motion was made by Schuhknecht and supported Laakso to send a registered letter to Mr. Slawski offering to pay for an appraisal and to tentatively purchase the property at the current market value. Ayes- 5 Nays- 0 Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

Matt Annala asked if we knew the current value of the former Diorite School. He was given an answer that the property is valued at \$60,000 on the current Tax Role.

BOARD COMMENTS

Clerk Wing updated the board that we have not heard back on our counteroffer for the purchase the Barnes Hecker site.

Supervisor Laakso discussed the following

1. Informed the Board that unless there is disagreement, he has approved the use of the hall three Wednesdays a month for 1 hour a night, for a bible teaching class at no charge. No objection from the Board.
2. Informed the Board that he was going to request a sign on County Road CJ informing drivers of a handicapped child in the area.
3. Requested and was given permission to look at the cost of replacing portable toilets at the hall park and Clarksburg ball field.

4. Discussed mosquito and weed problems at the Clarksburg Ball Field and a motion was made by Hosang and Supported by Laakso to approve spraying the field for both at accost of about \$1400. Ayes- 5 Nays- O. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Wing, Clerk