

ELY TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 21, 2022 – 6pm

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; Aaron Carr, Trustee; Glenn Wing, Trustee present. Molly Taseris, Clerk and Dawn Schuhknecht absent-excused. Kim Wing, Deputy Clerk present.

PUBLIC PRESENT

Lou Ouellette, Russell and Glenda Mock, Ted Pepin, Al Harris, Ken & Dana Quinnell Jr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Laakso recommended moving item 14. Quinnell Rezone to item 9 and added item 15. Anderson Tackman Bill to the Agenda. Motion by Wing, supported by Carr to approve the agenda as modified. Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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 Carr to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Motion Carried.

BUDGET REVIEW

Supervisor Laakso noted there were a few Budget adjustments as stated in the Supervisor Report and explained that the Auditor requested the addition of two line items (Postage and Banking Charges). Motion by Wing, supported by Carr to approve the Budget adjustments noted in the Supervisor's Report. Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Wing, Carr, Laakso

Nays: None

Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Trustee Carr updated the Board on recent Planning Commission activities including ongoing Master Plan work and possible updates to the Zoning Ordinance. The Jerzi application is on hold until the sale goes through.

QUINNELL REZONE

Supervisor Laakso recommended and moved that the Board approve the Quinnell rezoning request from Timber Production to Residential 10. Motion supported by Carr. Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS

Supervisor Laakso recommended the Board approve the appointment of Guy Murray, Shelley Ovink and Deb Palomaki to the Board of Review. Motion by Wing supported by Carr to approve the stated Board of Review appointments. Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

2023 BOARD MEETING DATES

Supervisor Laakso recommended the Board approve the 2023 Board Meeting dates as the third Wednesday of each month. Motion by Wing, supported by Carr to approve the 2023 Board Meeting dates. Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

STREET LIGHT REQUEST AT 3049 CO RD CL

Supervisor Laakso presented the Board with a request for a street light on County Road CL at a bus stop. The Board determined to table this issue until further information is collected such as cost, number of kids, etc.

INTEGRIS PROPOSAL

Supervisor Laakso tabled this item as more information is being collected.

SUMMER TAX COLLECTION

Supervisor Laakso presented the Board with an invoice from the County for the Summer Tax bill in the amount of \$2394.86. Motion by Wing, supported by Carr to approve payment of the Summer Tax bill. Ayes – 3, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

ANDERSON TACKMAN BILL

Supervisor Laakso presented the Board with an progress invoice from Anderson Tackman for audit work in the amount of \$6100. Mr. Laakso will ask them to break up the bill by fund. Motion by Laakso, supported by Wing to approve payment of the Anderson Tackman invoice.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lou Ouellette asked for the Board of Review dates. Mr. & Mrs. Mock requested an update on the Diorite School property. Mr. Harris updated the Board on various water/grant issues.

CLOSED SESSION

Not needed.

BOARD COMMENTS

Trustee Carr noted the West End Parent Christmas event went well with over \$400 gathered for a scholarship.

Supervisor Laakso updated the Board on the Jamie Carello issue, Diorite water issues, the need for a Public Hearing on the Marijuana Transport issue, the Diorite School property, and most concerning the County Landfill being forced to treat a contaminant which will cost \$3.8 million to fix and approximately \$882,000 to operate each year. This will be extremely detrimental to the various municipalities involved in having to share this cost burden.

Mr. Laakso also noted changes at the Transfer Station in hours for December through March.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Wing, Deputy Clerk