**Inverness Township Board**

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

7:00 PM

**Opening of Meeting- Pledge of Allegiance**

**Board member roll call** – present: Jennifer Beebe, Greg Elliott, Laurie Merchant, Bernie Schramm, Rodney LaHaie.

**Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve agenda by Elliott, supported by Merchant. Motion carried.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

February 6, 2024 - Regular Board Meeting Minutes – Motion to approve minutes by Beebe, supported by Merchant. Motion carried.

February 19, 2024 – Budget Workshop Minutes – Motion to approve minutes by Elliott, supported by Beebe. Motion carried.

**Approval of Bills**

General Bills & Wages – Motion by Elliott, supported by Merchant to approve payment of bills and wages in the amount of $52,327.55. Roll call: Merchant - yes, Beebe - yes, LaHaie – yes, Elliott- yes, Schramm - yes. Motion carried.

Sewer Bills – Motion by Merchant, supported by Beebe to approve payment of sewer bills in the amount of $4,267.50. Roll call: Beebe– yes, Elliott– yes, Schramm – yes, Merchant – yes, LaHaie - yes. Motion carried.

**Correspondence**

**Sewer Monthly Flow**

February – 1,450,500

**New Business**

Motion by Schramm, supported by Merchant to approve Brown land division application. Roll call: Schramm – yes, Elliott – yes, LaHaie – yes, Beebe – yes, Merchant – yes. Motion carried.

Supervisor LaHaie presented two complete and one partial estimate to replace the sink and countertop in the Hall kitchen. Brown Builders bid $5000.00 for sink, faucet and countertop replacement. Creative Cabinetry bid $1,598.50 to replace countertop only and Home Maintenance Unlimited bid $2,850.00 to replace sink, faucet and countertop. Motion by Merchant, supported by Elliott to accept the bid from Home Maintenance Unlimited. Roll call: Merchant – yes, Beebe – yes, LaHaie – yes, Elliott – yes, Schramm – yes. Motion carried.

MDHHS requested the use of the Hall parking lot to park trucks on May 1-3, 2024. Motion by Schramm, supported by Elliott to allow use of the parking lot. Motion carried.

REU Updates:

Motion to remove O&M charges and fees on vacant parcel 092-007-200-037-0, owned by Citizens National Bank by Schramm, supported by Beebe. Roll call: Elliott – yes, Schramm – yes, Merchant – yes, Beebe – yes, LaHaie – yes. Motion carried.

Motion to reduce REU charges to 1.0 REU for a vacant building with no current occupants owned by Patricia Kwiatkowski, Parcel 092-018-200-009-0 by Elliott, supported by Schramm. Roll call: Schramm – yes, Elliott – yes, LaHaie – yes, Beebe – yes, Merchant – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Elliott, supported by Schramm to remove the O&M fees and only charge debt retirement and RR&I effective 3/31/2024 on the following vacant parcels:

092-C04-000-001-0 James Gilbert

092-007-200-018-0 Miller-Seymour

092-017-100-014-0 Greg Gildner

092-R20-000-015-0 James VanWormer

092-R20-000-022-01 Todd Bugenske

092-008-300-013-03 Todd Bugenske

092-R20-000-017-0 Todd Bugenske

092-R20-000-011-0 Todd Bugenske

092-R20-000-007-00 Brett Olsen

Roll call: Merchant – yes, Schramm – yes, Elliott – yes, LaHaie – yes, Beebe – yes. Motion carried.

Per Sewer Ordinance, vacant parcels will be billed for debt retirement and RR&I. Motion to apply the following parcels to the sewer district effective 3/31/2024 by Schramm, supported by Elliott:

092-017-100-005-04 Immer Investments 4021 N Euclid Ave. – Bay City

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092-017-100-006-02 Mayer, Kimberly D: Loren Thompson 1991 Smith Rd. – Lapeer, MI

092-017-100-022-01 Cook, Kim C, Trustee 318 Riverside Dr.

092-017-100-022-02 Cook, Kim C, Trustee 318 Riverside Dr.

092-017-100-022-03 Cook, Kim C, Trustee 318 Riverside Dr.

092-018-400-004-02 Rose, Clair B & Janice A, Co-Ttees 4306 River Rd – Petoskey

092-018-400-012-02 Heidi Dunn – Holly Lavigne 9408 N Straits Hwy.

092-007-200-068-01 Frayre, Christopher 8271 W Remos Rd – Remos, MI

092-007-400-012-00 Neuman, Kevin Ttee & Ron Bren 10351 N Straits Hwy.

092-008-300-006-00 H2Oasis Realty LLC 5950 14 Mile Rd. – Rockford, MI

092-007-200-039-01 Swiderek, William & Nancy 10952 Inverness Trail Rd.

092-007-200-043-00 Litzner, Audrey & Patricia 887 VFW Rd.

092-007-200-059-00 Ripper, David & Kimberly H/W 1017 Donald Ct.

Roll call: Merchant – yes, Beebe – yes, Schramm – yes, Elliott – yes, LaHaie – yes. Motion carried.

Motion to waive the “no wake” ordinance during the Top O’ Michigan Outboard Race on August 10-11, 2024 by Merchant, supported by Beebe. Roll call: Schramm – yes, Elliott – yes, Merchant – yes, Beebe – yes, LaHaie – yes. Motion carried.

One bid was received for the Cemetery Sexton Contract for Maple Grave and Riggsville Cemeteries. Motion to accept bid from Leo Chamberlain for $575.00 per month plus burial and cremation fees as needed by Elliott, Supported by Schramm. Roll call: Merchant – yes, Beebe – yes, LaHaie – yes, Elliott – yes, Schramm – yes. Motion carried.

We received four bids for Snowplowing at the Township Hall and the Transfer Station. Todd Baldwin bid $40.00 per plow at the Hall and $40.00 per plow at the Transfer Station. Rivertown Lawn Service Inc. bid $100.00 per plow at the Hall and $90.00 per plow at the Transfer Station. Northern Michigan Lawn Maintenance bid $90.00 per plow at the Hall and $85.00 per plow at the Transfer Station. E.F. Wilkinson & Sons, Inc. bid $60.00 per plow at the Hall and $55.00 per plow at the Transfer Station. Motion to accept low bid from Todd Baldwin by Merchant, supported by Schramm. Roll call: Elliott – yes, Schramm – yes, Merchant – yes, Beebe – yes, LaHaie – yes. Motion carried.

We received four bids for the Groundskeeping at the Hall , transfer station, Polish Line Beach and Foote Rd. Beach. Tyler Baldwin bid $4,000.00 per year. Rivertown Lawn Service bid $5,650.00 per year. Northern Michigan Lawn Maintenance bid $5,275.00 per year and CCAT Trucking & Maintenance LLC bid $3,800.00 per year. Motion to accept the low bid from CCAT Trucking & Maintenance LLC by Elliott, Supported by Schramm. Roll call: Elliott – yes, Schramm – yes, Merchant – no, Beebe – yes, LaHaie – no. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

**Building and Grounds –** Supervisor LaHaie presented two bids for repairing the parking lot at the hall. Motion by Schramm, supported by Beebe to table the estimates until we can get more information on material to be used.

**Road Update –** We received bids on two types of Brine. Liquid Calcium Chloride and well brine. Motion to accept the bid from Liquid Calcium Chloride Sales for 38% at 0.82 per gallon by Elliott, supported by Schramm. Roll call: Schramm – yes, Elliott – yes, LaHaie – yes, Beebe – yes, Merchant – yes. Motion carried.

**Fireboard Report** -Trustee Schramm: Calls were down this month. A computer control in one of the trucks is going bad and will need a repair of $2400.00

**Treasurer Report –**

**Citizens Comment** –

We were asked if State Revenue Sharing can be used for Road Repair. Covid money will be used to cover part of the work to be done on Polish Line Rd. this year.

Chris Hudak questioned why the Township has a rental unit on Paully Road. It is used to store supplies and parts for the sewer. He also asked where money from two fire trucks that were sold had gone. He was referred to the Fire Department. We do not have that information.

**Adjournment -** Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:08 p.m. by Schramm, supported by Beebe.

Submitted by: Jennifer Beebe, Clerk

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