

OVERISEL TOWNSHIP
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting
2/14/2023

Call to Order: Supervisor Russ Van Dam called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and Pat Reuschel opened with prayer.

Members Present: Russ Van Dam, Pat Reuschel, Renee Hop, Josh Groenheide and Tom Flokstra.

Al Co Commissioner: Jim Storey gave an email update on county activities: hiring new emergency manager; 123Net broadband-initial allocation of funds-late April; dams-hydro is green energy

Minutes: The Jan 10, 2023 Board meeting minutes were read and presented for approval. Motion made by Reuschel and supported by Flokstra for approval. Motion Carried.

Overisel Fire Department: Fire Chief Kooienga reported 15 calls for Jan. May 2, 2023 fire board meeting; Frank Cronin is retiring Feb 28- thank you for many years of service; Aug- new pumper will be done; Aug 19- corn hole/ice cream community outreach; warning siren- getting new antenna.

Overisel/Fillmore Deputy: Deputy Schmitt reported a total of 78 calls for Jan; 56 for Fillmore and 22 for Overisel.

Zoning Report: Board of Appeals meeting Jan 16, 2023- no business; Planning – private road request, discuss solar panels and storage shipping containers.

Supervisor: Van Dam reported: Preliminary Budget report was given to look over-Annual Budget Hearing March 14, 2023; Hop reported a school election for Hamilton and Zeeland- May 2, 2023.

Motions:

1. A motion was made by Flokstra and supported by Groenheide to approve the Fire equipment needs list: battery extrication-\$13,000, cpr training dummies-\$500, leaf blowers-\$400, hanger/racks-\$5,000 - total \$18,900 Motion Carried
2. A motion was made by Hop and supported by Groenheide to approve the salary resolution for board members (COLA 8.7%, did 6%) as presented. Motion Carried
3. A motion was made by Reuschel and supported by Flokstra to approve supporting Lakeshore Advantage with \$1,250. Motion Carried.
4. A motion was made by Flokstra and supported by Hop to approve the Broadband resolution to support 123net to receive a grant for Allegan County. Motion Carried.
5. A motion was made by Hop and supported by Van Dam to approve the Board of Review resolution to accept written appeals. Motion Carried.
6. A motion was made by Hop and supported by Groenheide to pay the Fire chief, Captain and Lieutenant a \$400 bonus for 2022 for extra work done without an assistant Chief present. Motion Carried.
7. A motion was made by Reuschel and supported by Flokstra to pay the bills as presented. Motion Carried.
8. A motion was made by Hop and supported by Reuschel that the meeting stand adjourned. Motion Carried.

Next Meeting: of the Overisel Township Board of trustees will be Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:30 pm in the Overisel Township hall.

Renee Hop, Clerk