

ERWIN TOWNSHIP – N8908 VanBuskirk Rd, Ironwood, MI 49938

Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 14th, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.

1. Meeting called to order by Grimsby and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Larry Grimsby–Supervisor, Vicky Finco–Clerk, Sylvia Mussatti–Treasurer, Jim Anderson–Trustee, Ray Brown–Trustee. Seven additional persons present.
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA: MOTION** by Anderson, supported by Grimsby to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS on AGENDA:** None
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
MOTION by Anderson, supported by Mussatti to approve the minutes of the **September 9th, 2020** Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.
MOTION by Grimsby, supported by Finco to approve the minutes of the **September 24th, 2020** Special Board Meeting – Election Inspectors Appointments. Motion carried.
6. **CONSENT AGENDA: NOTHING to keep on file.**
7. **CLERK’S REPORT & PAYMENT OF BILLS: MOTION** by Grimsby, supported by Mussatti to approve the payment of the bills listed on report: 14 checks #5323 through #5336, one EFT and four automatic payments listed for a total of \$5,518.09. Motion carried.
BUDGET to ACTUAL REPORT THROUGH 2nd QUARTER of FISCAL YEAR: Clerk Finco presented the Board with this report. All in line except ELECTIONS category will exceed the \$3,000 originally budgeted. **MOTION** by Grimsby, supported by Finco making a Budget Amendment to move \$1,000 from Account # 450 Roads to Account # 191 Elections. Motion carried. Budget will be updated to reflect this change and copy placed on file.
8. **TREASURER’S REPORT:** Report by Treasurer for the General Fund. Beginning September balance of \$124,850.15 ten receipts and two deposits for \$7,541.79. 21 checks and debits for September totaling \$5,254.13 leaving an ending balance of \$127,137.81. Five CD’s totaling \$127,689.06 with interest of \$1.68 added. **MOTION** by Anderson, supported by Finco to acknowledge the Treasurer’s report. Motion carried.
9. **SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:** 1) Another tree came down near the Transfer Station that was taken care of. 2) Assessor did building permit inspections and continued work on 20% of yearly checks. Will do final check for this year on new buildings by December 31st. 3) New mast for internet at the Township Hall has improved download times some. 4) The CVTS money that came as a check to use only for Covid related expenses cannot be deposited into the General Fund. Might be sent back unless a use can be found for it. He has been trying to get more information. 5) 5,000 garbage bags have been ordered to beat the price increase on plastic.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

11. NEW BUSINESS: 1) ERWIN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY – TOM PELISSERO. Their Board met for two hours last night. He gave the Board a presentation with a handout of their proposed plan with the recently purchased building – the former Erwin East End School. He also provided the Board with a certified copy of a Plat Survey done by Todd Maki of the land owned by the Township on VanBuskirk Road where they would like to have the building moved to. After discussion, Grimsby requested a letter of their intention to follow all codes in regards to this building along with water and septic and a “value of service being provided to Township residents” which he will then present to the Township Attorney, Tim Dean to review and advise the Board. A committee made of Grimsby and Anderson from the Erwin Township Board along with Pelissero and one other member from their ETHS Board will continue to work on the proposal.

2) MOWER FOR TOWNSHIP – Grimsby stated the mower is 11 years old and having mechanical issues due to wear and feels it is time to consider an upgrade. **MOTION** by Anderson, supported by Mussatti to get bids on a new lawn mower. Motion carried.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT on NON AGENDA ITEMS – 1) A resident present suggested perhaps the Covid money could be used to buy a ballot box to be kept outside of the Hall.

13. ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Grimsby, supported by Brown to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Motion carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: APPROVED NOVEMBER 11th, 2020

Vicky Finco – Clerk

Larry Grimsby – Supervisor