

# Sandstone Charter Township Regular Board Meeting

Monday March 13, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Members present: Supervisor Keith Acker, Clerk Kimberly M. Britten, Treasurer Betty Sue VanWinkle, Trustees: Jeff Hale, Chris Crisenbery, Dwight VanWinkle

Absent: Cheryl Marks

Meeting opened at 6:00 PM with Acker leading the Pledge of Allegiance

Members of the Public: Deputy Roberts, Bryan Powers, Nicole Cantrell

Public Comment: None

Agenda: Added 2 mowing bids, letter to RDOF

Motion by Acker to transfer \$1,000 from account #101-371-955 "Building Inspection Miscellaneous" to #101-373-804 "Plumbing & Mechanical Inspections. Supported by D. VanWinkle. Roll Call: Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes. Ayes 6. Nays none. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda: Motion by Crisenbery to approve the Agenda with additions supported by Hale. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Hale to approve the following items, supported by D. VanWinkle. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the February 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
- Street Lights (MACI) 98.31
- Street Lights (Rolling Meadows) 78.57
- Police Bills:
  - Deputy Sherriff 9,807.00
  - Attorney Fees 100.00
- Pre-Pay:
  - Prepaid Bills
  - Payroll (02-15-2023) 18,016.62
- General Ledger: (bills pd through 3-10-2023) 6,227.18

## REPORTS:

Police Report, Deputy Roberts

- 55 Calls for Service
- 3 Traffic crashes
- 10 Traffic stops
- 8 Citations
- 2 Arrests

Building Inspector: Bryan Powers

- 1 Building
- 1 Electrical
- 2 Mechanical

Planning Commission Report: Crisenbery

Discussion:

Wind Energy Conversion Systems  
Landscaping Ordinance  
Private Road Ordinance  
Next meeting May 4, 2023  
See attached meeting minutes (3-7-2023)

Treasurers Report: Betty Sue VanWinkle

- See attached report

Clerks Report: Kimberly M. Britten

- Handed out sample ballots for the May 2, 2023 Special Election
- MTA Capitol Conference information

Motion by Acker to appoint Crisenbery and D. VanWinkle to the Election Commission, seconded by Hale. 7 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Fire Board Report: Dwight VanWinkle

- See attached report and 2023 Budget

Motion by D. VanWinkle to approve the Parma-Sandstone Fire Department 2023-2024 Budget for \$360,466.00 along with the request that the Fire Board will come back to the Sandstone Charter Township Board with proposed Millage language. Supported by Hale. Roll call: Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by D. VanWinkle to increase the Inspector fees from \$65.00 to \$70.00 supported by Crisenbery.

After discussion to increase Inspector fees, Crisenbery rescinded his second and D. VanWinkle rescinded his motion to increase Inspector fees from \$65.00 to \$70.00.

Motion by D. VanWinkle to increase the fees as listed on "Attachment A" (Establish Township Boards, Committees, Inspections and Election Inspectors Wages and Township Fees) and to adopt the Resolution. for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) supported by Crisenbery. Roll Call: Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes. Hale no. 5 Ayes, Nays 1. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-9**

**OLD BUSINESS-Supervisor**

Discussion:

- High Speed Internet Task Force update
- Laptop computer for Supervisor purchased, \$900.00
- BOR Appeals meetings March 13 & 15, 2023
- Township taxable value

Motion by Hale to accept the letter from Evolutionary Fiber Solutions to consider leasing our property at 7940 County Farm Rd to put in their data center. Supported by D. VanWinkle. 5 Ayes. Nays 1. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**-Supervisor

Motion by D. VanWinkle to have Steve Noble file a request for a recycling grant with the State of Michigan for our fall clean-up, May 13, 2023. Supported by Hale. Ayes 6. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by D. VanWinkle to join with Spring Arbor Township residents for recycling tires at Sandstone Township from noon-2:00 PM on our clean-up day, May 13, 2023. Supported by Hale. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Discussion: Five bids for our lawn mowing were received.

Motion by Crisenbery to retain TLB Maintenance for seasonal mowing at the township for 2023. Supported by D. VanWinkle. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Hale to approve the following road work for 2023. Supported by D. VanWinkle. Roll Call: Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

• Miller Rd. (Rogers to Wellman) wedge & chip	82,080.
• Rogers (Deveraux to Maines) wedge & chip	108,000.
• Wellman Rd. (McDonald to N. Twp Line) wedge	150,000.
• Contingency	51,012.
• Engineering/Overhead	33,242.
• TOTAL	<u>424,334.</u>
• Township cost	<u>297,034.</u>

Discussion on "Sandstone Township" road signs

Motion by Britten, supported by B. VanWinkle to adopt the Annual Supervisor Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year of \$32,000. Roll Call: Crisenbery no, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle no, Acker no, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes. 3 Ayes. Nays 3. Vote fails.

Motion by Acker to abstain from voting on the Supervisor Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year, seconded by Crisenbery. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crisenbery, supported by Hale to adopt the Annual Supervisor Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) Roll Call: Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle no, Britten no, B. VanWinkle yes. 3 Ayes. Abstain 1. Nays 2. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-1**

Motion, by Hale supported by D. VanWinkle to adopt the Annual Clerk payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) Roll Call: Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-2**

Motion by D. VanWinkle to abstain from voting on the Treasurer Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year, seconded by Hale. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crisenbery, supported by Britten to adopt the Annual Treasurer Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) Roll Call: Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, Acker yes. 5 Ayes. 1 Abstain. Nays none. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-3**

Motion by Britten, supported by D. VanWinkle to adopt the Annual Deputy Clerk Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) Roll Call: Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-4**

Motion by B. VanWinkle, supported by D. VanWinkle to adopt the Annual Deputy Treasurer Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) Roll Call: Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-5**

Motion by D. VanWinkle, supported by B. VanWinkle to adopt the Annual Office Assistant Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) Roll Call: B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes, Britten yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-6**

Motion by Britten, supported by Crisenbery to adopt the Annual Trustee Payroll Resolution by the budget 2023 year (See attached) Roll Call: Crisenbery yes, Hale no, D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes. 5 Ayes. Nays 1. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-7**

Motion by Crisenbery, supported by D. VanWinkle to adopt the Annual Assessor Payroll Resolution for the 2023 budget year. (See attached) Roll Call: Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried. **Resolution 2023-8**

Motion by Hale to Move \$249,972.43 from account #101-000-339 "Unearned Revenues" to account 101-000-528 "Federal Grant -Other" to pay for road work. Supported by Crisenbery. Roll Call: D. VanWinkle yes, Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crisenbery, to approve the 2023-2024 Budget for publication for March Budget hearing, supported by Hale. Roll Call: Acker yes, Britten yes, B. VanWinkle yes, Crisenbery yes, Hale yes, D. VanWinkle yes. 6 Ayes. Nays none. Motion carried.

2023-2024 Final Budget Hearing, Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the Township Hall.

Public Comments: None

Motion to adjourn by Hale, supported by Crisenbery. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly M. Britten, Clerk  
Sandstone Charter Township  
Recorded the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023