

Approved 6/19/2023

Draft Minutes

BINGHAM TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MAY 15, 2023, 7:00 P.M.

(Zoom available to access meeting by computer or smart phone)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Midge Werner, Supervisor, called the Bingham Township Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Bingham Township Hall and via zoom.

2. ROLL CALL - Quorum Present

Present: Midge Werner, Kathy Morio, Sandra Grant, Jeff Layman, Todd Stone

Absent: None

Staff: Steve Patmore

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

Sandra Grant/moved, Jeff Layman/supported, to approve the agenda as presented, carried.

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None.

6. APPROVAL OF APRIL 17, 2023 MINUTES

Sandra Grant/moved, Todd Stone/supported, to approve the April 17, 2023 Minutes as amended, carried. Ordinance 01-230417 update number.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT – Zachary Marano, Reporter for Leelanau Enterprise introduced himself.

8. OLD BUSINESS

a. Networks Northwest-Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Greater TC - Resolution 20230515.1

Discussion was held regarding whether or not Bingham Township wants

to be a voting member of this organization. The cost would be between \$3,000.00 and \$3,500.00 a year. Steve Patmore was asked if he would represent the township as he is an engineer.

Sandra Grant/moved, Kathy Morio/supported, to adopt Resolution 20230515.1 to Establish an Intermunicipality Committee Under Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957 For the Purpose of Transportation Planning In the Traverse City Study Area under the pretense that Bingham Township would become a voting member of the organization. Roll call vote: Yes: Werner, Morio, Grant, Stone, Layman. No: None. Carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Paul Olson, Municipal Underwriters of Michigan - Insurance Review
The Board reviewed the insurance plan submitted by Paul Olson.

Midge Werner/moved, Sandra Grant/supported, to enter into a Contract with Municipal Underwriters of Michigan for the insurance coverage submitted by Paul Olson in the amount of \$6,935.00 for next year and to request that Paul Olson correct the list of properties in the Contract, carried.

Workmen's Compensation Insurance is not included in this quote and comes from a different company.

b. Lawn Maintenance Contract
Midge Werner said the Lawn Maintenance Contract with the Whiteford's would be the same amount as last year.

Sandra Grant/moved, Kathy Morio/supported, to enter into a Contract with Whiteford's for lawn maintenance for 2023-2024 with the amount approved in the Contract for the last calendar year, carried.

c. Zoning Administrator Contract
Midge Werner said the Zoning Administrator Contract will be submitted for approval at the June meeting.

d. Salary Resolutions for 2023-2024 Budget
Resolution 20230515.01 - Township Supervisor
Sandra Grant/moved, Kathy Morio/supported, to adopt Resolution 20230515.01 setting the Supervisor's base salary at \$18,876.88.
Roll call vote: Yes: Werner, Morio, Grant, Stone, Layman. No: None, carried.

Resolution 20230515.02 - Township Treasurer
Midge Werner/moved, Todd Stone/supported, to adopt Resolution 20230515.02 setting the Treasurer's base salary at \$29,586.85.
Roll call vote: Yes: Werner, Morio, Grant, Stone, Layman. No: None, carried.

Resolution 20230515.03 - Township Clerk
Midge Werner/moved, Sandra Grant/supported, to adopt Resolution 20230515.03 setting the Clerk's base salary at \$28,676.47.
Roll call vote: Yes: Werner, Morio, Grant, Stone, Layman. No: None, carried.

Resolution 20230515.04 - Township Trustees
Midge Werner/moved, Kathy Morio/supported to adopt Resolution 20230515.04 setting the Trustees base salary at \$4,791.41 (\$2,395.70 for each Trustee), carried.

e. Draft 2023-2024 Budget Review
The Draft 2023-2024 Budget was reviewed. Sandra Grant said the township auditor wants the township to have a deficit spending budget. Discussion was held regarding a deficit spending budget.

10. COMMITTEE, STAFF AND OFFICER REPORTS

a. Parks & Rec Committee - Todd Stone said Minutes are submitted from previous meetings. The township did not receive the SPARKS Grant. The deadline for reapplying for the SPARKS Grant is June 26th. Reapplication with updates will be submitted for the SPARKS Grant before that date.

b. Building & Grounds Committee - Kathy Morio

Midge Werner said there are contractors who are interested in bidding for the township renovation project. Bids will be received at the June Board Meeting.

c. Cemetery Committee - Midge Werner

On June 10th Bob and Marcia Walton will do a demonstration of cleaning headstones at Bingham Cemetery.

d. Zoning Administrator - Steve Patmore

Steve Patmore submitted his Report.

e. Planning Commission - Steve Patmore

Planning Commission is continuing to work on the Master Plan.

f. Fire Authority -

Three (3) year Contract approved for Chief Jim Porter. Plaques given to firemen for years of service, website will be launched soon.

g. Assessor's Quarterly Report - No report

h. Treasurer - No report.

i. Trustee - No report.

j. Clerk -

Kathy Morio submitted the Vendor Balance of \$6,038.82 and Payroll Report of \$10,822.49 for approval.

Sandra Grant/moved, Todd Stone/supported, to approve the Vendor Balance of \$6,038.82 and Payroll of \$10,822.49, carried.

k. Supervisor

Midge Werner said Saturday, May 20th from 9 am to 12 noon is Clean Up Day.

ADJOURNMENT

Midge Werner adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Minutes by Marge Johnson
Kathy Morio, Clerk