# Champion Township Board Meeting January 10, 2022

- I. Call to Order: The Supervisor, Larry Arsenault called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- II. **Members Present**: Catherine Pratt, Clerk, Larry Arsenault, Supervisor, Ron Miller, Trustee, and James Belpedio, Trustee

Members Absent: Linda Pelkola, Treasurer

**Visitors:** Tanya Bowen, Mike Simula, Betty Brotherton, Richard Wasianen, Sara Hupp and Carl Pratt

- III. Pledge of Allegiance was said
- IV. Approval of Minutes: Jim makes motion to accept. Larry supports, AIF
- V. **Treasurer's Report:** Read and filed.
- VI. Approval of the Agenda: Old Business: C-Credit Card. New Business: BOR and Meeting Dates Jim makes motion to accept with addition, Catherine supports, AIF

## **VII. Committee Reports:**

- a) Fire: none
- b) **Planning Commission:** Worked on master plan. Looking into animal ordinances and short-term rentals. They also discussed updating the parking ordinance and add no parking on sidewalks. Planning Commission members should be 2 three year terms, 2 two year terms and 1 one year term.
- c) **Zoning Admin:** Received 1 call asking about zoning laws since he is looking to purchase property here.
- d) MCTA: Next meeting is January 26<sup>th</sup>.
- I. **Public Comment:** Betty would like to know if Catherine is going to continue with the Newsletters. Larry said in the spring.
- II. **Claims:** Additions Fire and EMS to Champion Township General Fund for AT&T Bill. Jim made motion to pay claims. Catherine supported. Role taken 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent AIF
- III. Communications: Bill for Lawyer fees to due to EMS merge.

#### **IV. Old Business:**

- a. Sidewalks: Can't do anything until spring.
- **b. Roads Next Year:** Will be working on Mike and Gary's Road next
- **c. Credit Card:** Larry made a motion to get a \$5,000 Visa Credit Card through TruNorth Federal Credit Union with Catherine Pratt, Keven Plankey, James Belpedio and Linda Pelkola as approved signers. Catherine supported. Role was taken 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Absent.

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### V. New Business:

- **a. Sherriff:** Larry went to a meeting to see about having Sherriff patrol around Champion. They would only work for 40 hours per week and would be done by midnight and they would spend the time split between Ely, Humboldt, Champion and Michigamme. They would want \$58,000 from each township for the first year. They would need to purchase a vehicle and would prefer a tahoe or something similar, they would also have to purchase uniforms. They would expect \$28,000 for the next year. Champion would need patrol between 11 p.m. and 4 a.m. so it doesn't seem like this would be feasible.
- **b.** Treasurer: didn't show up
- **c.** Fire Truck/EMS Gas Purchase: needs to be put on the correct account when purchasing gas.
- **d. Appoint Representative for West End Board:** Jim makes motion to appoint Larry Catherine supports AIF
- **e. BOR:** Members server for 2 years. Members need to take course and have certificate on file to prove they took the course. Need to find out if Betty and Kris have take the course and have the certificate.
- f. Meeting Dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month in 2022.

## VI. Public Comment:

VII. **Adjournment**: Ronnie made a motion to adjourn, Catherine supports AIF. Meeting ended at 7:05 p.m.