

Montague Township
Board Meeting
MEETING NOTES
Tuesday, June 13, 2023



The June 13th, 2023 Montague Township Board Meeting held at Montague Township Hall was called to order at 7:01p.m. by Supervisor King.

Members present: Supervisor King - JK
Clerk Roesler - DR
Treasurer Korthase - TK
Trustee Goodrich - JG
Trustee Seaver - JS

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Seaver, seconded by Trustee Goodrich to approve the June 13th, 2023 agenda.
Passed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE May 9th, 2023 Meeting

Moved by Treasurer Korthase, seconded by Trustee Goodrich to approve the May 9th, 2023 meeting minutes with no changes. **Passed**

Visitors:

-Kathy Sicher- resident of the township who resides on McFall Circle/Drive neighborhood. Reported that the edges of the road are crumbling, and they have lost approximately 3 feet. Mrs. Sicher reports that the road was put in the 1960's and has only had patching done since that time. Supervisor King drove the road prior to the meeting and reports there are some dips but no big potholes. Supervisor King stated that since it is not a through road the county will only cover 25% of repairs. There are roads in worse condition at this point. Supervisor King will check with the county to see if they are able to go out and do some repairs to help.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Township Park/Soccer Complex restroom door locks update

1. Locks have been installed for approximately a month. They lock at 9pm and unlock at 6am automatically. All seems to be working well with them.

B. General Fund Balance

- i. Jeff Anderson from MiCLASS present to speak about the investment opportunities available with them. Multiple local entities have money invested such as, City of Muskegon, City of Montague, Muskegon Township, Dalton,

Muskegon Central Dispatch. Jeff explained that investing with MiClass is very safe. MiClass pays daily interest, funds are liquid and can be withdrawn at any time and no minimum balance needed.

- ii. Resolution 61323-01 to approve MiClass as an approved investment option.

- 1. Moved by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Clerk Roesler, roll call- all yes, passed.

- C. Painting of the township hall by M&K Painting

- i. Will be done in September.

- D. Ideas for playground equipment

- i. Treasurer Korthase passed put examples of playground structures that could be easily added.

- ii. The board noted that the wood on the top of the structure could use some work.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2023-2024 Budget

- a. Motion made by Trustee Goodrich and seconded by Treasurer Korthase to enter the 2023-2024 Budget hearing at 0802pm.

- b. Budget amendments to the following accounts:

- i. 103 Assessor from \$19500.00 to \$24,481.00

- ii. 253 Treasure from \$23550.00 to \$24,100.79

- iii. 265 Township Hall and Grounds from \$24,610.00 to \$27,573.64

- iv. 701 Planning and Zoning from \$17,800.00 to \$27,688.70

- c. Motion to accept the 2023-2024 budget with the changed made Trustee Goodrich and seconded by Treasurer Korthase

- i. Roll Call- all yes, passed.

- d. Motion to levy milage at 1.15/1000 made by Trustee Goodrich and seconded by Trustee Seaver.

- i. Roll call- all yes, passed.

- B. Zoning Enforcement Position- Treasurer Harris approached Treasurer Korthase about the possibility of sharing a Zoning Enforcement Office with White River Township. Board discussed and will consider further.

- C. Softball Field Restroom doors- New automatic locks were installed. These locks were not meant for the type of door we have at the softball field. Will need to purchase new doors for this facility in the future.

- D. Boot Cleaning Station- was installed at the Clearwater Springs Nature Preserve by the Ealy Elementary (Whitehall Public School) Students

- E. Osborne Asphalt will be working on the Fruitvale/Henderson area and entry to Clearwater Springs Nature Preserve- currently waiting for it to rain before they will be able to start.

- F. Fires at Clearwater Springs Nature Preserve- hikers/campers have been having fires in the woods. Sheriff has been notified, will keep an eye on things out there as they can.

- G. Senior Milage- monies will be used to install the new sidewalks at the Township Park, and will purchase Viking Athletic Center Walking Passes as needed.

- a. Motioned by Treasurer Korthase, seconded by Trustee Goodrich to approve the use of the senior milage.

- i. Roll Call- all yes, Passed

- H. Lawn Mower- have been offered \$5,000 for trade in on our old mower.

- a. Motioned by Trustee Seaver and seconded by Trustee Goodrich to move forward with purchasing a new mower.
 - i. Roll Call- all yes, passed.
- I. Lamos Road- road lines have not been painted yet, will reach out to county to see about getting that done.
- J. Soccer Field Update-
 - a. large rocks have been placed to keep people from parking on the grass.
 - b. Concession building has been closed for the summer.
 - c. Supervisor King contacted Double L about taking over the maintenance of the irrigation system. They are who installed the system and the blueprints do not match what was installed. They may have a better idea of where things are.
 - d. Additional dirt has been ordered for around the goal areas. Soccer club will start rotating the fields for less wear and tear in one area.
 - e. Soccer group from Shelby has been coming down and using the field and goals- may consider locking the goals as to cut down on wear and tear on the field.
- K. Water Testing- second water test at the Softball Field Passed.

BOARD REPORTS

Fire board- 142 current runs, will be getting a pole barn- built by National guard but funded by Montague Fire, Bike Rodeo was a success, milage will be staying the same this year, looking to pay off building early as it will save \$40,000, waiting on part for air trailer so it can be fixed and put into service again, will be getting new floors and walls painted, started budget discussions.
Solid waste- No meeting since last month, will be looking at budget next meeting.
Ambulance- lowered milage to 1.75, staff received an 8% cost of living raise.
Planning commission- will be wrapping up the solar ordinance and presenting it in July.

INVOICES: **PAYABLES-**

TREASURER'S REPORTS

Moved by Clerk Roesler, seconded by Trustee Seaver, to approve the Treasurer's report. **Passed**

COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT 9:07pm

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday July 11th, 2023, at the Montague Township Hall.