

## **Elk Rapids Township Regular Meeting Minutes, November 9, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Elk Rapids Township Board was held at the Elk Rapids Government Center located at 315 Bridge St. Elk Rapids. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Amos at 9:00 am. The meeting was recorded to provide accuracy.

**Present:** Supervisor Dorance Amos, Clerk Shelley Boisvert, Treasurer Mike Szymanski, Trustee Matt Soper,

**Absent:** Trustee Richard Hults

**Also Present:** B. Derman, Chief Williamson, 3 members signed in as audience.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
  2. **Public Comments:** L. Prentice- Objects to the proposed sewer. Doesn't like pressure sewer, the size of the system won't do enough to protect the lake, and the district set up isn't fair.
  3. **Approval of Meeting Agenda: MOTION/S: Soper/Szymanski** to approve the agenda as presented.  
**MOTION APPROVED.**
  4. **Consent Agenda:**
    - A. October 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes
    - B. October 18, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes/Public Hearing
    - C. October 19, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes/Island House
    - D. Zoning Report
    - E. Treasurers Report
    - F. Paying of the Bills: General Fund- \$21,796.77, Fire Fund - \$11,878.40
- MOTION/S: Boisvert/Soper** to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda. Roll Call Vote: Soper, Szymanski, Amos and Boisvert all voting Yes, 0 No (Hults is absent) **MOTION APPROVED.**
5. **Sheriff /Commissioner Report:** Sheriff report as submitted.  
Commissioner Boettcher: County Board will change from 9 commissioners to 5. He mentioned that there had been discussion at the County level about lowering the current millage, and that he was against doing that at this time.
  6. **Ambulance Department:** MMR – Report as submitted
  7. **Fire Department:** Chief Williamson: Report as presented.
  8. **District Library:** Tenancy In Common Agreement: This draft agreement was given to the Village Manager last month. This would be an agreement, between the Village and the Township as co-tenants for the purposes of rights and obligations with respect to ownership, management, development, operation, repair, maintenance, leasing and disposition of the Island House property.
  9. **Township Sewer:**
    - Wastewater Treatment Plant REU Purchase: Discussion needed with the Village regarding adding new customers to the treatment plant
    - GIS Documentation for Sewer: Project to mark GIS coordinates on the existing sewer.
    - Cairn Hwy Sewer Public Hearing: December 14, 2021 at 6:00 PM

10. **Government Center:**

**MOTION/S: Soper /Amos** to approve the allocation of \$40,000 from next year's budget as the Township's share toward a generator for the Governmental Center. Roll Call Vote: Szymanski, Amos, Boisvert and Soper all voting Yes, 0 No (Hults is absent) **MOTION APPROVED.**

Other repair work through CBSI at the Governmental Center should begin around December 1, 2021.

11. **Bass Lake: New Association Formation:** Bass Lake property owners have been meeting to establish another HOA. Among other things, this will allow them to address ongoing weed problems in Bass Lake and look into a new special assessment.

12. **Attorney Report:** As reported

13. **Township Board Announcements and Correspondence:**

- Trees and brush have been cleared out at the lake access property on Shore Dr. in Clearwater Point.
- Work at the cemetery is also ongoing with the cutting and clearing of dead trees and bushes.
- M. Szymanski said he is hoping to get a special assessment software package to go along with his tax package through BS&A.

**Adjourned: 10:11 am**

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Shelley Boisvert, Elk Rapids Township Clerk, 231-264-9333

Meeting minutes are subject to approval at the next regular Board Meeting