MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE IRA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

The Ira Township Board of Trustees met in the board room of the Ira Township Hall on September 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Board members present: Thomas Eder, Thomas Lauer, Stella Ruhlman and Jean Corbat.

Board members absent: James Endres Jr.

MINUTES:

S. Ruhlman moved to approve the minutes of the 8/7/2023 regular and 8/24/23 special meetings, supported by T. Eder. All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

EDFA 2023 Annual Meeting

Acknowledged and filed

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

United Way of St. Clair County Proclamation

T. Eder moved to adopt a proclamation designating Fall 2023 to United in Purpose for United Way of St. Clair County, supported by S. Ruhlman.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Thomas Eder, Thomas Lauer, Stella Ruhlman and Jean

Corbat

Absent: James Endres Jr.,

Nays: None MOTION CARRIED

Clay Police - Monthly Additional Charges

S. Ruhlman moved to approve the additional monthly charge of \$2,660.00 from the Clay Township Police Department, for additional services rendered during the month of August 2023, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

Location Change for November 2023 Meeting

All voting yes. Opposing: None

S. Ruhlman moved to approve the request of the Clerk to move the location for the November 6, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting to the Ira Township Fire Hall, due to a special election scheduled for November 7, 2023, supported T. Eder.

MOTION CARRIED

County Maps

T. Eder moved to approve the request of the Township Assessor and purchase maps from St. Clair County GIS, for the sum of \$400.00, supported by S. Ruhlman.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

Clay Police Contract

J. Corbat moved to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Agreement for Police Services with Clay Township, as presented, providing for twelve hours per day coverage, supported by S. Ruhlman.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance #134 - Zoning Ordinance Amendment to Rezone a Portion of Parcel 74-23-640-0131-000

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and adopt Ordinance #134 to rezone a 0.317-acre portion of Parcel 74-23-640-0131-000 from RS (Residential Suburban) to I-1 (Light Industrial), supported by T. Eder. Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: T. Lauer, T. Eder, S. Ruhlman and J. Corbat

Absent: J. Endres Jr.

Nays: None MOTION CARRIED

SCBA Purchase

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and approve the quote from West Shore Fire Inc., in the amount of \$155,797.00, to purchase 16 new SCBAs (self-contained breathing apparatus), supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

Radio Purchase

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and approve the quote from Digicom Global Inc., in the amount of \$70,000.00, to purchase twenty (20) new 800 radios for the fire trucks and handheld, supported by J. Corbat.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

Fire Reporting Software

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the Fire Chief and approve the quote from ESO, in the amount of \$10,554.50, for a three-year contract for fire reporting software, and authorize the Fire Chief to sign the contract on behalf of the Township, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

VFD Replacement

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Superintendent and approve a quote from Marshall E. Campbell Company to purchase two VFD (Variable Frequency Drive Pumps), and a quote from Blue Water Electrical Services, Inc, to install the VFD pumps, in an amount not to exceed \$18,400.00, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

Request for Sewer Relief (8779 Dixie)

S. Ruhlman moved to accept the recommendation of the DPS Superintendent and grant relief to the property owner at 8779 Dixie Highway by providing a credit in the amount of \$1,056.48 for the sewer portion of the water/sewer bill in excess of normal usage from April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

Budget Amendment 23/24 #1

	Budget Amendment 23/24 #1	9/6 Meeting
	Fire	
Expenditure		
206-000-703	Salaries	900
206-000-725	Savings Plan	100
206-000-704	Wages - Part Time Employees	(1,000)

J. Corbat moved to approve Budget Amendment 23/24 #1 for the Fire Fund, supported by T. Eder.

All voting yes. Opposing: None MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS .

Police Run Report- August 2023 Building Department Permits - August 2023 Code Enforcement - August 2023 DPS

- Epic rain event on August 23 and 24, 2033, taxed the sewer system but no calls from residents;
- With school back in session, trades are now available and work is being completed on the electrical and heating and cooling upgrades at the Water Department;

Parks & Rec Director's Reports - August 2023 Fire Chief Run Reports - August 2023

- Attending MTA Emergency Services seminar at Bavarian Inn;
- Awaiting update on installation of sirens;
- Received email from parttime firefighter who wants to stay as a contingent firefighter;

Clerk:

- Auditors will be in the office next week for the final audit;
- Met with clerks from five neighboring jurisdictions regarding Early Voting for 2024 elections;
- Update on Anchor Bay Schools Special Election scheduled for November 7, 2023;
- Attending St. Clair County Clerks Association meeting on September 14, 2023, hosted by Berlin Township;
- Ira is hosting SCCMTA meeting on September 21, 2023 at the Township Hall. County Planner David Struck is the guest speaker. Hoping board members and department heads can attend;

Treasurer:

- Bank Balances as of August 30, 2023;
- Water / Sewer Adjustments August 2023;
- Multi-year Arbor Professional Solutions and AccuMed Adjustments;

Trustee Eder:

- Update on Ordinance Violations;

All voting yes. Opposing: None

DISBURSEMENTS:

S. Ruhlman moved to pay the following disbursements totaling \$606,649.11 and supported by T. Lauer.

Reg	
Fund 101 General Government	\$108,764.62
Fund 206 Fire Fund	\$159,540.33
Fund 592 Water / Sewer Fund	\$332,302.46
ACH	
Fund 101 General Government	\$2,939.08
Fund 206 Fire Fund	\$1,959.51
Fund 592 Water / Sewer Fund	\$1,143.11

\$606,649.11 Total for All Funds

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss T. Lauer moved, with the support of T. Eder, to close the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

MOTION CARRIED

Jean Corbat, Clerk