

**Reading Township  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, June 13, 2022**

The regular meeting was called to Order by Supervisor Allan Andrews at 7:00 pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Flaugher, Andrews, Gripman, Parker and Mesarosh present.

**GUESTS:** Jim Tonnies, Ken McClellan, Brad Wright, Doug Tripp, Linda Burcewicz, Kathy Mikolajczyk, Larry Richards, Maureen Miller, John Kast and Mark Whiley.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Mesarosh moved, Andrews seconded to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2022, regular meeting. Motion Carried (5-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**COUNTY COMMISSION:**

Mr. Whiley reported the Hillsdale County will have proposals on the August election for the update of the county emergency radio system and the other for the county senior center. He also mentioned he will be running again for the county commissioner. A question was asked if the state ends up funding the upgrades for the emergency radio system and if the mileage passes, what will happen to the mileage. Andrews asked if the county had any ordinance for storm water run-off or if they ever considered one.

**ROAD COMMISSION:** None

Mr. Andrews reported his findings from the road commission meetings held every Wednesdays after he drove 55 miles in the township, he has 2 roads that he is very concern with, one being Rustic Drive which is a dead-end road, with a new house construction and the water running into the road making it a sloppy mess. The other road is Hemlock Road on the north end having huge potholes. The county assured they would take care of both locations. His other concern was Crawford Road in which was to be done in 2018 and that it has not been done yet. It turns out that the crew had done work on Crawford Road but in the wrong direction. Wildwood Road is the worst road in the township currently. Mr. Godfrey is the interim county road commission director and is willing to attend the township meetings.

**CEMETERY:** None

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Gripman reported Brad Wright was elected as chief again.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** None

**PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Mesarosh reminded those in attendance the next meeting will be held on July 18, 2022, at 7:00 pm. There was a brief discussion on reconsidering the marijuana issue, but no action was taken at this time.

**LIBRARY BOARD:**

April 26, 2022, proposed meeting minutes were handed out. Mesarosh reported that the library will again be offering the Ancestry program for anyone who is searching their family tree for free using Ancestry.com.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND / AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE:**

Mesarosh handed out a list of items gather with who will oversee them. Flaughner overseeing the parking lot approach reported she has received a quote for the drawing and prints from David Burke.

- Mesarosh moved, Gripman seconded to approve the agreement for the design and prints with David Burke in the amount of \$4,100.00. Roll Call: Mesarosh–Yes, Flaughner-Yes, Gripman–Yes, Parker-Yes, Andrews -Yes. Motion Carried (5-0)

Gripman overseeing the Fire Department various equipment updates handed out a quote from Dingesfire Company in the amount of \$18,682.35.

- Gripman moved, Andrews seconded to approve payment of \$18,682.35 to Dingesfire Company for various equipment. Roll Call: Gripman–Yes, Mesarosh–Yes, Flaughner-Yes, Parker-Yes, Andrews -Yes. Motion Carried (5-0)

Andrews oversaw the Kimball Camp point parking lot. He reported that Kimball Camp has no plan in place therefore no money will be provided.

Parker and Mesarosh will oversee the township gravel roads. Discussion was had on the cost of material. Mesarosh also will be in charge for the letter of support to DMCI Broadband for the upgrade with fiber optic lines being installed.

**Republic Waste Contract for the Transfer Station:**

Mr. Gripman is still working with Modern Waste to possibly switch contractors but is not having any good luck.

**Drain District for Ridge Dr.:**

Andrews reported all work has been completed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Payment of June’s Bills and Payments:**

- Flaughner moved, Gripman seconded to approve payment of the June’s bills and payments in the amount of \$4,875.12. Roll Call: Mesarosh–Yes, Parker-Yes, Gripman–Yes, Flaughner-Yes, Andrews -Yes. Motion Carried (5-0)

**Approval for additional Fire Department budget:**

The Reading Fire Department requested an additional \$5,000 for their budget.

- Parker moved, Gripman seconded to approve the additional \$5,000 to the Fire Department. Roll Call: Flaughner-Yes, Gripman–Yes, Mesarosh–Yes, Parker-Yes, Andrews -Yes. Motion Carried (5-0)

**FUTURE BUSINESS: None**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**BOARD COMMENT:**

**Transfer Station Maintenance and Tire Removal:**

Andrews reported the transfer station driveway needs repairs. He received an estimate from Mr. Scott Brown in the amount of \$1,500 for material and \$500 for labor. Andrews will contact Dr. Mascot to see if he is willing to pay a portion of the repairs. The post for the cable across the entrance is also in need of replacement. Andrews has developed a spreadsheet to try to keep track of the people who use the site. The tire recycling will be picked up on June 21, 2022.

Flaugher handed out the spreadsheet for the invoices sent out for the fire calls from 2021.

Discussion was had on the pay scale for the deputy clerk and deputy treasurer.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Next Regular Meeting will be July 11, 2022, at 7:00 pm.**

-Flaugher moved and Gripman seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried (5-0)

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Allan Andrews, Reading Township Supervisor

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Kathy Flaugher, Reading Township Clerk