

June 14, 2023

Present: Wade, Henney, Ward and Feazel.

Absent: Gilliland.

Guests: Megan Casper - Leslie Township Deputy Treasurer.

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Motion Ward, support Wade to pay the following bills:

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APPLIED IMAGING	COPIER CONTRACT	60.09
CULLIGAN	SOFTENER MONTHLY FEE + SALT	115.60
TRI-COUNTY WATER	WATER SYSTEM & SUPPLIES	14.00
CONSUMERS ENERGY - LIGHTING CONTRACT	10 00 10 5649 10	18.61
CONSUMERS ENERGY	10 00 10 5649 10	434.90
CONSUMERS ENERGY - LIGHTING CONTRACT	10 00 10 5649 10	18.44
CULLIGAN	SOFTENER MONTHLY FEE + SALT	26.00
FAHEY, SCHULTZ, BURZYCH, RHODES PLC	ATTORNEY FEES	697.50
ALL AMERICAN PORTABLE TOILETS	PORTA POTTIES	115.00
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B & T EXCAVATING	CLEAN-UP DAY	360.00
CHASE MASTERCARD	FUNFLICKS DEPOSIT	328.88
CHASE MASTERCARD	KUTCHAS TENT PAYMENT	533.00
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WOW BUSINESS	INTERNET & TELEPHONE PROVIDER	268.91
MICHIGAN TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION	2023-24 DUES	2,215.43
LAFCU	HALL SUPPLIES	262.69

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WIGHTMAN	INVOICE #81059 - TWP PARK	801.65
C-MORE GREEN	CRABGRASS & WEED CONTROL APPLICATION	750.00
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LANSING COMMUNITY NEWS	NOTICES	77.30
LANSING COMMUNITY NEWS	ELECTION NOTICES	73.10
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COMMUNITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK		22,907.00
COMMUNITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK		1,552.23
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CHASE	POTTING SOIL	47.66
SANDY'S LANDSCAPE INC.	BARK CHIPS	287.00
CITY OF LESLIE - HYDRANT RENTAL	ANNUAL HYDRANT RENTAL	7,210.68
SPARKLE WINDOW CLEANING INC.	WINDOW CLEANING	200.00
MCKEE'S HEATING & COOLING LLC	AIR CONDITIONER REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	150.00
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	LAWN & BUILDING MAINTENANCE	1,200.50
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	FIRESTATION LAWN & BUILDING MAINTENANCE	514.50
MERS	PENSION	1,220.89
ALERUS	PENSION	1,738.59
		<u>58,780.62</u>

**Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.**

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Motion Wade, support Ward to adopt the following budget amendments:

**Wages:**

\*\$3,700. from 371-Electrical Inspector to 191-Election Inspectors

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**Expenses:**

\*\$1,700. from 101-262-752-Election supplies & Operating to 101-171-910 Supervisor Training & Travel

\*\$1,000. from 101-262-752-Election supplies & Operating to 101-751-752 Community Action Fund

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**Roll call vote. Ayes: Wade, Henney, Ward & Feazel. Absent: Gilliland. Motion carried.**

**Correspondence was received from Vector Pipeline & Enbridge regarding pipeline safety.**

**During board comments encroachments on township property lot lines, successful election audit and township hall and park upcoming improvements were discussed.**

**Adjourned 6:59 P.M.**

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