

January 10, 2024

Present: Wade, Gilliland, Henney, Ward and Feazel.

Absent: None

Guests: Lynn Lankton - Leslie Township Assistant Clerk, Megan Casper - Leslie Township Deputy Treasurer, Steve DeKett - Leslie Township Fire Chief, Kevin Weber - Leslie Township Planning Commission Chair, Bev Pratt, Lois Pratt and Dave Pratt - Leslie Township Residents, Tucker Atkinson - Ranger Power, John Lazett - Vevay Township Supervisor, Rob Robinson - Awaken Haunt and Jim Every - Boss Cider.

The regular scheduled meeting of the Leslie Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Supervisor Henney in the Leslie Township Board Room. Henney led the Board and Guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of both December 13, 2023 meetings were approved with no corrections.

The Treasurers report shows a December 31, 2023 balance in the General Fund of \$214,145.58 balance in the Public Improvement Fund of \$191,316.75 and balance in the Millage Accounts of \$16,834.62.

Motion Ward, second Gilliland to pay the following bills:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
TRI-COUNTY WATER	WATER SYSTEM & SUPPLIES	14.00
GRANGER	RECYCLE ROLLOFF	350.00
GRANGER	4 YARD FEL SERVICE CHG	132.12
CULLIGAN	SOFTENER MONTHLY FEE	26.00
APPLIED IMAGING	COPIER CONTRACT	77.44
GANNETT MICHIGAN LOCALIQ	LOCALIQ PUBLICATIONS	130.40
CONSUMERS ENERGY	1000 1056 4910	505.52
ALLEGRA	Early Voter Postcard	215.00
NORTHEAST MICHIGAN ASSESSORS ASSOCIATION	DUES 2024	20.00
FRITZ ADVERTISING	FLAG POLE FINAL PAYMENT	822.25
SIGN ART INC	LIGHTED SIGN & LIGHTS	63,885.00
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	LAWN & BUILDING MAINTENANCE	1,817.50
MTA	MTA CONFERANCE REGISTRATION - HENNEY	507.00

MTA	MTA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - LANKTON	407.00
VC3	INVOICE #133911 & 132582	5,258.56
RILEY'S APPARATUS SERVICES LLC	TRUCK MAINTENANCE	2,412.63
FIDLAR TECHNOLOGIES, INC	RECEIPT BOOKS	524.37
MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL TREASURERS ASSOC.	CASPER 2024 WINTER WORKSHOP	199.00
ALL AMERICAN PORTABLE TOILETS	PORTA POTTIES	135.00
MTA	2024 MTA CAPITAL CONFERENCE	255.00
MTA	BOARD OF REVIEW TRAINING - DEKETT	100.00
WOW BUSINESS	INTERNET & TELEPHONE PROVIDER	564.34
CAPITOL AREA MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOC	ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON	48.00
CAPITOL AREA MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOC	2024 DUES FEAZEL, PARMELEE & LANKTON	60.00
MC&E/ELECTION SOURCE	ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEES & SUPPLIES	1,450.02
LYNN LANKTON	FED & STATE POSTERS	93.27
LYNN LANKTON	CAMCA QTRLY MTG	30.13
DALLAS HENNEY	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	87.93
DEB PARMELEE	OFFICE SUPPLIES	220.98
WOODLAWN CEMETERY - ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION	ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION - 1/4 PAYMENT	7,500.00
PAYROLL		22,466.74
ALERUS	PENSION	2081.15
MERS	PENSION	858.46
		113,254.81

Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Ingham County Deputy William Belanger gave a brief overview of the previous months activity. He also provided a written report (filed with correspondence).

Wade reported the next meeting of the Woodlawn Cemetery Board is Thursday, January 18th at 11:00 a.m.

Chief DeKett reported on the activities of the fire department for the previous month.

Henney reported the next Planning Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 7th at 6:00 p.m. The agenda will include special use permit reviews.

Motion Feazel, support Ward to adopt Ordinance 24.01-1 Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Wind as recommended by the Leslie Township Planning Commission. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion Feazel, support Wade to adopt Ordinance 24.01-2 Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Solar as recommended by the Leslie Township Planning Commission with a change on page 12, section 11 to read No more than ~~2.5% (two-and one-half percent)~~ 1% (one percent) of the total land within Leslie Township shall be approved for use as the project area for a Commercial Solar Energy System. Discussion included several reasons for this change including the preservation of farmland in Leslie Township, the state law preemption of non-compatible ordinances would include a one time payment of \$2,000 per megawatt hour of energy (minimum of \$100,000 per project) to be used for special projects in the township if the applicant uses the MPSC process to apply rather than at the local level. In addition, we have previously approved a solar project that will power 4,000 homes and we feel Leslie Township has done its share. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion Wade, support Ward to adopt Resolution 23-24-06 Poverty Guidelines. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion Ward, support Gilliland to adopt Resolution 23-24-07 Summer Tax Collection. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion Gilliland, support Ward to adopt Resolution 23-24-08 Payment Reduction Program. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

No correspondence.

During Board comments Leslie Township Clerk Assistant, Lynn Lankton, reported she has found a future deputy clerk and she has been hired as an election inspector in the meantime. Updates were also given on broadband, trail projects and the upcoming ad-hoc meeting.

**Adjourned 7:00 P.M.
Sheryl Feazel, Clerk**