

**MAPLE GROVE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 13, 2023 - 6:00 PM**

- 1. Call to Order.** The Maple Grove Township Board was called to order. Roll call was taken with the following members present Supervisor H. Wayne Beldo, Clerk Fran Beldo, Treasurer Karen Roy, Trustees Joe Barnett, Jason Vess, Fire Chief.
- 2. Changes or Corrections to Agenda. New Hire- Jason Stoll**
- 3. Call to the Public.** – None
- 4. Consent Agenda.** The Consent Agenda consists of minutes for 11/13/2023, to be completed. approval of bills for 10/04/2023, through 11/13/2023 - General Fund \$29,887.32; Fire Department \$2,451.71; Cemetery \$177.00; Transfer Station \$14,149.57. MGT Community Center \$8,260.34. Gross Pay YTD \$54,925.94. Financial Statement – Motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Motioned by Karen, Supported Joe, any discussion? AIF AYE. Motion carried.
- 5. Fire Department Report – Mutual Aid Agreement.** Motion to sign Mutual Aid Agreement made by Wayne, support by Karen. AIF/AYE, motion carried.
- 6. Supervisor’s Report–**
 - MFR Class – Wayne talked with Richard Mobley regarding holding an MFR Class at the community center. Wayne would like to find an instructor, get a price, and talk to Dickson, Norman and possibly Cleon Townships to share the cost. That way we could offer the class for free. MFR is what we need to keep our rescue going. With this class, participants would not have to take the state test. It would be an in-class test. Wayne asked for approval to go ahead and ask Dickson, Norman, and Cleon to participate in the MFR class. A motion was made by Fran, support by Karen to pursue this. AIF/AYE. Motion carried.
 - Governor Whitmer has signed a bill that states all schools and daycare must have filtered water in their building. The law does state that you have 1 drinking fountain that has filtered water and has the capability to fill a water bottle per 100 people. We will not have more than 100 kids including the new daycare coming in. Wayne has talked with Corey Andersen, and piping is a nightmare to equip the whole building. We have a place for a drinking fountain, and Cory has provided a link on where to order one. Motion made by Fran, supported by Gary for Wayne to purchase, and install the drinking fountain with filtered water. AIF/AYE. Motion carried.
 - KND is on schedule. They have been given all inspection papers that are needed. The Head Start 4-year-old Daycare will be in rooms 17&18. They should be ready to move in by January. Karen has received the monies from the ISD of \$9,000 which was pro-rated. KND should be about the or more as \$1,000 a month.
 - The ISD gave Wayne an emergency booklet that has a lot of good information. He would like to go forward with the Community Center and get a committee together to look it over, and have a few books made up. Karen commented that there should be an emergency preparedness book in every occupied room. The Sheriff said he would help if needed input. A motion was made by Gary to have Wayne form a committee and pursue this emergency booklet. Support by Joe. AIF/AYE. Motion carried.
 - Wayne has been thinking what would maximize the monies donated towards emergency preparedness, the most. He would like to purchase a generator. He has

talked with Glen Lake Electric, and the quote given was \$56,000 with \$35,000 as a down-payment. If we decide to go with them, the company could have it ordered and installed within about 4 months. It probably would end up being less than the \$56,000 quoted. Gary will get another quote before the decision is made.

- Halloween went well. Over 250 hotdogs were served, and we ran out of candy.
- The Community Center Committee decided it's time to ask for donations for benches, playground equipment, emergency preparedness, landscaping, and events.
- Wayne would like to have a plaque made with the names of the Township board and the names of the Community Center Committee members when it was first started.
- A new water line is going to be installed at the old, old township hall. A new meter went in the cemetery.
- Moore Mechanical is working on the heat in rooms 19&22. They are leaking and Charlie is not able to repair them.
- Wayne has 6 copies of the Master Plan that NWNW sent. The Master Plan needs to be put on the website. People are calling and asking what is expected when buying property in the township.
- November 21st, at noon the Manistee County Community Foundation will be at the Village Park. Manistee County Recreation Association has applied for a grant to install new toilets and showers. If we get the grant, it will cost the Village about \$15,000.

7. Old Business-

A. Siren – Move it to the Community Center.

B. Old Township Hall – New water line.

8. New Business-

A. Artist Room – More items being moved in there. There is a loom in there now. Wayne will talk with Tricia about paying for the classes that are held in there.

B. Approval of Recycling Contract for FY 2022 and 2023. Motion made by Gary, support by Joe to approve the contract. AIF/AYE. Motion carried.

C. Payroll will be issued November 29th and December 27th.

9. Mobile Phone – Wayne would like an allowance to purchase a new mobile phone. Motion by Gary, supported by Karen for a \$1,000 phone allowance for Wayne. AIF/AYE. Motion carried.

10. Correspondence – None

11. Adjournment- Motion to adjourn at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frances J. Beldo
Maple Grove Township Clerk