**MAPLE GROVE TOWNSHIP**

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**September 30, 2022 - 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, and Gary Bowling.
2. **Supervisor’s Report**
   1. **Offer on Aura St. Building**

Two offers have been offered: $50,000 and another was $60,000. Supervisor would like to hold onto this building because MGTCC is filling up quickly. The storage room is going to moved back to the Aura location. Utilizing the garage for a number of our equipment.

Supervisor attended a day-care center meeting with the Community Foundation, State of Michigan, several schools, food pantry and Manistee County is one of six counties in the State to be part of a day-care pilot program for affordable healthcare.

After questionnaires and surveys, it was found that Manistee County has 536 children in need of subsided affordable day-care right now. Wayne was contacted about a room here at the Center. We would provide the room all staff provided by the fund.

Somsel cannot build our building which could cost $20,000+.

Right now, we have 4 rooms available. Wayne requested to know from the Board their thoughts.

Joe asked what the benefit for childcare is. Discussion was held with all members giving their thoughts. One question was discussed if there was a need. Daycare is running $500 to $600 per week. This would help our community to have new employment. There will be a reimbursement cost. Who will carry the liability insurance? Staff and liability insurance who will cover. MGTCC has coverage. State has bought into it. Aura building is worth more than $60,000.

Aura building will be offered to the Committee. We have 4 to 5 vacant rooms at this time to be assigned.

Wayne mentioned how everyone is pleased with how the Community Center is growing and its usage.

Gary made a motion to deny the current offers and entertain the other opportunities with the daycare and storage. Any more discussion if not all in favor say Aye opposed Motion Carried

* 1. **MGTCC Kitchen**

Walk-in cooler working. Alarm works, so if the temperature drops. Next project will be the freezer. Counter will be moved.

A grant has been written for AEDs; I expect to hear about it soon. Laura and Sarah have talked to me about the tennis court, will be receiving a bid and I asked whether it should be black asphalt or cement which one is better. When I receive this information, a grant will be written. Only issue / problem is that we may have to a 25% match. When that occurs, I will come to the Board to talk about exactly how much we are talking about. A grant will be submitted on Monday for the fire alarm system and for the kitchen a fire suppression for the hood.

Wayne will be visiting with the assessor on Wednesday to discuss what she found out at the class she attended. Will talked about the new things that are coming up for the audit for the Township and Manistee County. The audit this time is that the State of Michigan does not like the fact that we have some properties about 80% for obsolete buildings or obsolete land. This is low and wet, however, things like that will going away and we will have to make sure that in the audit we decided that she is going to stay with the buildings that are obsolete.

At the last MTA meeting, I talked to Shirley about what she is paying a clerical person. She stated $22 to help with the election. With Denise leaving for 5 months which means Pam and Laura will have to pick up her job. This is why I am bringing up to you that Laura and Pam need a pay increase. We do not wany to lose them. Karen made motion to increase the pay for the deputies to $20, Support by Gary. Any further discussion. AIF Aye. Motion carried.

1. **Adjournment**. Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frances J. Beldo

Maple Grove Township Clerk