

**Thetford Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting September 12, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.**

Called meeting to order @ 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Tack, Henry, Gunnels, Congdon, Taylor, Moore and Stanke (all present)

Staff Present: Lindquist, Lanctot and McIlmurray

Motion by Stanke Seconded by Congdon Approval of minutes from 8/1/23 and 8/14/23 to be brought back to the next board meeting

Motion by Henry Seconded by Tack to add Additions to the Agenda – Old Business – Letter G- Assessor Updates Roll Call Vote: Yes, Gunnels, Congdon, Taylor, Tack, Henry and Moore No Vote: Stanke  
Vote: 6/1 Motion Passed.

No Public Comments

Genesee County WWS memo regarding bio solids Discussion from the supervisor about the memorandum received from the Genesee County Drain Commissioners Office.

Motion by Stanke Seconded by Congdon to transfer \$20,000.00 from 101-852.000-800.006 (Health Insurance) to 101-856.000-800.120. (Retiree Health Insurance). Vote: 4/3 Motion Passed Yes Vote: Congdon, Gunnels, Taylor and Stanke No Vote: Tack, Henry and Moore

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Congdon to transfer \$1,600.00 from 101-752.000-930.000 to 101-262.000-980.000. Vote: 7/0 Motion Passed – All Yes Vote

Supervisor Report:

Treasurers Report: General Fund Balance: \$1,728,344.62, Taxes and sewer payments are due by 9/14/2023.

Clerks Report: Will need extra help for election – 9 day early voting.

Motion By Moore Supported by Tack to approve up to \$700.00 for MTA conference) currently on waiting list for). Transfer \$250.00 from 101-215.000-862.000 to 101-191.000-862.000 to cover conference fees.  
Vote: 7/0 Motion Passed All yes vote

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Congdon to approve the bills except for the double entry of Consumers \$472.79 Roll Call Vote: 4/3 Motion Passed Yes Vote; Gunnels, Taylor, Congdon and Stanke No Vote: Tack, Henry and Moore

Senior Center: Report N/A

Fire Authority: Open House Station #1, Awarded \$30,000.00 in grant money from the State of Michigan, to purchase new equipment/gear to be distributed per station, 2.5 years out for Station #2 to receive new truck. Report given by Trustee Congdon.

Library: Report by Janis Franich

Park and Recreation: Report by Janis Franich

Motion by Stanke and Supported by Congdon to take a 5minute recess @ 7:09 p.m.

Motion by Stanke and Supported to return from 5minute recess @7:20 p.m.

Motion by Stanke and Supported by Taylor to produce checks to Petty Cash, Culligan and Met Life.

Checks to be signed by the clerk and Treasurer. If no checks produced for MET life or Culligan checks will be voided and re issued. Vote: 4/3 Motion Passed Yes Vote: Congdon, Taylor, Gunnels and Stanke  
No Vote: Tack, Henry and Moore

Motion by Stanke and supported by Congdon for clerk to input data for cemetery into the BSA program

Vote: 4/3 Motion Passed 4 yeas Congdon, Taylor. Gunnels and Stanke 3 nays – Henry, Tack and Moore.

Motion by Henry Supported by Tack to pay the Trustees and additional \$40.00 for all special meetings above and beyond the regular meetings excluding meetings example planning. Vote: 3/2 Yes

Vote: Gunnels, Henry and Stanke No Vote: Congdon, Taylor Abstained: Tack and Moore

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Taylor to purchase a utility vehicle Ranger xp1000 not to exceed

\$20,000.00 to purchase from Ball equipment from ARPA Funds. Vote: 5/2 Motion Passed Yes Vote:  
Congdon, Taylor, Gunnels, Henry and Stanke No Vote: Tack and Moore

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Gunnels to rescind all prior motions to purchase.

Amended Motion by Stanke Seconded by Taylor to increase ARPA revenue lined item 101-000.000-

529.300 to purchase Ranger XP 1000 in the amount of \$17,592.97 Vote: 5/2 Yes Vote: Taylor,  
Congdon, Henry, Gunnels and Stanke No Vote: Tack and Moore

Amend Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Taylor to decrease expenditure lined item 101-

265.000.982.000 in the amount of \$17,592.97 Vote: 5/2 Yes Vote: Henry, Congdon, Tack,  
Gunnels and Stanke No Vote: Moore and Tack

Motion by Stanke and Supported by Taylor to use STG and Co onetime initial fee in the amount of

\$4495.00, increase ARPA lined item 101-000-000.529.300. Vote: 6/1 Motion Passed Yes Vote: Henry,  
Taylor, Congdon, Gunnels, Moore and Stanke. No Vote: Tack

Motion by Stanke and Supported by Taylor to amend to increase lined item 101-265.982.000 in the

amount of \$5000.00. Vote: 6/1 Motion Passed Yes Vote: Henry, Tack, Taylor, Congdon, Gunnels  
and Stanke. No Vote: Tack

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Congdon to pay the yearly cost of website management in the

amount of \$800.00 out of the MMFLA township lined item. Vote: 7/0 All Yes Vote

Motion by Stanke and Supported by Moore to have Atty. Gildner to continue negotiating for the board to  
estimate a contract for present date October 19, 2023 to Auction the Lesso equipment. Vote:

7/0 All Yes Vote

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Tack to accept JCL estimate for the door to be paid out of the ARPA

lined item. Roll Call Vote: 7/0 all Yeas Motion Passed

Discussion about Assessor updates, a progress report from the Assessors office. Tack stated that the  
supervisor is the Chief Assessing Officer, conversations/emails that have taken place with the Melissa at  
the equalization department state that there are errors with our assessing documentation, 5 year plan of

properties 20% per year are not current, are there 5 year pictures updated in residents files? Could cost the township up to \$100,000.00 if the state has to come in to fix the assessing department. Supervisor stated that the person at the equalization department was rude. Equalization department stated that every assessing department is going to be audited in October of 2024.

Motion amended by Stanke and Supported by Taylor to amend ARPA expenditure line in the amount of \$2,223.57      Vote: All Yeas      Motion Passed

Renew Admin Fee – Discussion Treasurer to check on if Sewer collects 1% Admin Fee on Sewer Bills. The Clerk stated no Admin fees are collected on Sewer per Water and Waste Department.

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Gunnels for the Street Light Special Assessment to remain the same. Vote 5/2      Motion Passed      Yes Vote: Gunnels, Taylor, Congdon, Henry and Stanke      No Vote: Tack and Moore

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Gunnels to renew Garbage Special Assessment increase in the amount of \$1.45      Vote: 4/3      Motion Passed      Yes Vote: Taylor, Congdon, Gunnels and Stanke      No Vote: Tack, Henry and Moore

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Congdon to have meetings every other week starting in October of 2023 adding the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month.      Vote: 3/4      Motion Passed      Yes Vote: Gunnels, Congdon and Stanke      No Vote: Taylor, Henry, Tack and Moore

### **Public Comments:**

Beatrice:

Had complaints about the MJ facilities on Dodge and Dort. Are they supposed to have filtration systems? There is an outside grow and you can see the plants over the fence, it's a nuisance is there anything we can do?

Kevin Lawrence:

Wanted to thank the board members who came to the planning meeting last month. Board/Planning to repurpose the building use. Notification on the master plan, street light map/MTA website. Glad the website was approved.

Rich Russell:

Disc Golf always busy have lived around the corner for approximately 28 years and have only seen about 1-2 vehicles per year, have now seen 5 cars now 2-3x a week, Things are going good for us. Trade in values will decrease on the side by side need a larger machine and dump box the range from \$29,900.00 to \$50,000.00. Ralph knew about others before he ran for office. !00,00 per week clerks doing nothing, stop making motions 15 minutes meeting.

Gregg Bryann: Rachel digging us out, Ballots in shed in storage shed in Clio Why? Henry a diehard bean counter – has taxes not filed, \$26,000.00 on fees don't get done, constant bitching back and forth, Twp going down the tubes Kris and Rachel working to do things together. Bottom line of cat fight and back stabbing.

Board Member Comments:

E. Gunnels:

Thanks Phil Green /Marty assistance for coming out, Making Progress on disc golf more progress next week.

J. Congdon: Nothing, Long evening. Thanks for coming out.

K. Taylor: Thanks for coming out.

J. Tack: Nothing

N. Moore: None

R. Stanke: Thank you Marty for the P. Foss information, Thanks to Mr. Green for the round table talk. Got through the Agenda, proud of the board, Woodhill extra funding, handed over the Audit on a silver platter it went smooth and well.

Motion by Stanke and Seconded by Gunnels to adjourn meeting.

Meeting Adjourned:

9:25 p.m.

