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**FIFE LAKE TOWNSHIP
ZOOM BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APPROVED WITH CORRECTONS (SEE BOLD UNDERLINED)**

JANUARY 28, 2021

ROLL CALL: Supervisor Gerianne Street-X, Treasurer Cathy Sorrow-X, Clerk Leigh Gifford-X, Trustee Nicki Gibson-X, Trustee Dawn Zimmerman-X. Quorum Established.

Also Present via zoom; Jim & Jill Gary, Jacob Meyer, Amanda Scott, Mike Kattreh, Joseph Nafsu, Pam Lawrence, Joanne Ogur, Rob

Approval of Agenda

Sorrow made **Motion** to approve the Agenda as presented, Zimmerman Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Street-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Gifford-Late. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Conflict of Interest – None

Consent Calendar

Street read purpose of Consent Calendar; Fife Lake Township Minutes December 17, 2020, Special Meeting January 8, 2021 Financial Report and Updated Bills to be paid. Gibson made **Motion** to approve the Consent Calendar, correcting the minutes to reflect Gibson being a regular EMS Board member not Alternative, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Street-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Gifford-Late, Sorrow-Yes, Gibson-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Correspondence- Complaints/comments on light pollution at Camp Pugsley

Citizen Comment;-None

Gifford joined Zoom meeting in progress 14 minutes later. Noted had to join through Website complications with invite.

REPORTS

County Commissioner – Rob Henschel – Absent

Sheriff Department- Deputy Eric Meiers – Absent

Ambulance/Fire/Emergency Planning -Gibson reported on statistics, an itemized list will be available. The egress window should be installed by the 20th of February.

Fife Lake Village President, Dave McGough

FLAUA- Gifford reported the part time help is back to one person. Last hook up still not done, there is a glitch in property ownership as it is on a land contract. Other business is in line as it should be.

Planning-FLAPC; Zimmerman reported meeting January 26, 2021.

Civic Center South- Street reported ice is in great condition and it is being well used. They still need volunteers to help with the rink. The concessions contract has been signed and Scott Seifert is set to run those concessions throughout the warmer months. There is some research going on by some of the Board Members and Library Staff to look into some updated playground equipment and bleachers. Draft Minutes did not reflect this information.

Lake Shore Drive Committee-Mike Kattreh reported thankful to be on the agenda. Gregg compiled a thorough summary on various projects, would like this information to be shared with the Fife Lake Township Board Members.

NEW BUSINESS

Signature Cards-Visa Credit Card, Gibson made **Motion** to remove Linda Forwerck and add Gerianne Street to the Fife Lake Township VISA Credit Card, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Gifford-Yes, Street-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Meeting Reimbursement Pay Scale- Discussion on needing work done on updating the Board Member pay scale for extra meetings including checking which meetings get paid and which do not get paid. Sorrow and Gibson will work on this. Updates at next meeting.

Zoning Administrator Vacancy- During a special meeting called January 8, 2021 to accept the Debbie Rodriguez's resignation as Zoning Administrator and Medical Marijuana Administrator and decide the next course of action. Verb age on the contracts including changing Medical Marijuana Administrator to Cannabis Administrator.

An Interview Committee was formed consisting of; Nicole Gibson, Pam Lawrence, Joanne Ogur and Gerianne Street. They had 4 Candidates to interview, choosing Robert Hall to fill the Zoning Administrators vacancy. Street made **Motion** to hire Robert Hall as Fife Lake Townships Zoning Administrator, Sorrow Seconded. Discussion on how the committee arrived at their decision based on budget ability and experience. Roll Call Vote Finds: Gifford-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Street-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Sorrow-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Fife Lake Township Cannabis Administrator Vacancy-

Denny Corrado, Fife Lake Townships Cannabis consultant, will fill the vacancy of Administrator for \$15.00 per hour, since he is already our consultant at this time.

Zimmerman made **Motion** to hire Denny Corrado as Fife Lake Township Cannabis Administrator for \$15.00 per hour, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Gibson-Yes, Gifford-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

FLT LOGO

The LOGO has not been updated for a while, see the possible samples in packets. Joanne Ogur suggested a Community contest for the best one donating \$100.00 toward the prize.

Some suggestions to open the contest to the whole community others thought offer it to the Forest Area Students. Table for next meeting, needs some research.

Fife Lake Township Assessor, Dawn Kuhns requested updating her contract for house keeping purposes. Street made **Motion** to resign Dawn Kuhns contract, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Gifford-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Street-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried**.

County Interlocal Assessor – Sorrow made **Motion** authorizing Street to sign the County Interlocal Assessor Agreement, Gibson Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Zimmerman-Yes, Street-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Gifford-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried**.

Attorney-Fife Lake Township Attorney Millar will be raising his rates to \$185 per hour. Street would like to look into other Attorney rates such as Attorney Brace Kern charges \$150 per hour. We still have Bryan Graham on a retainer. Research needed on his rates. Discussion on putting out bids for a new attorney.

Street made **Motion** to be authorized to research this with MTA and hire an attorney with out the bid process, if allowed. Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Gifford-No, Gibson-No, Zimmerman No. 2-Yes, 3-No, **Motion Failed**. Street has concerns about the high cost of newspaper postings.

Gibson made **Motion** to receive bids for an attorney, Zimmerman Seconded. Sorrow-Yes, Gifford-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Street-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried**.

OLD BUSINESS

Recording Secretary posted for bids in the Record Eagle and Fife Lake Township Website, bid received by Katy Heyd for \$150 per meeting. Gifford made **Motion** to hire Katy Heyd as the Fife Lake Township Board Recording Secretary, Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Gifford-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Gibson-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried**.

Snow Plow posted for bids in the Record Eagle and Fife Lake Township Website, bid received by Roger Gibson. Street made **Motion** to hire Roger Gibson for Fife Lake Township Snow Plowing, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Gifford-Yes, Street-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Gibson-Abstain. 4-Yes, 1-Abstain, **Motion Carried**.

Fire Barn drains should have been pan drains. They will need replaced come spring, Sorrow made **Motion** to bid out work to be done on Fire Barn drains for Spring work, Gibson Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Zimmerman-Yes, Street-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Gifford-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried**.

OTHER BUSINESS- A moment of silence for Wayne Ingersoll November 1, 1935 – January 11, 2021.

February 14-19th Wiring remodeling

February 14-19th Street will be out of the office.

Pam Lawrence resigned from the Fife Lake Area Planning Commission. Amanda Scott interested in filling this vacancy. Gibson made **Motion** to appoint Amanda Scott to the Fife Lake Area Planning Commission, Gifford Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Gifford-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Street-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

House keeping items through H&R Block, 2 Transfers need to complete standard transactions. Sorrow made **Motion** to approve these transfers, Gifford Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Street-Yes, Gifford-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Sorrow-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Fife Lakes Camp Puglsey property was not chosen for the Satellite research station.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Via Zoom Kevin had suggestions for the LOGO Contest.

Village President, Dave McGough reported the Fife Lake Village will hold a budget hearing February 15, 2021 at the Fife Lake Village 6:15 pm.

Jim and Jill Gary – No Comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Gifford made **Motion** to Adjourn, Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Gifford-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Street-Yes, Gibson-Yes, Sorrow-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.** Fife Lake Township Board Meeting Adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Fife Lake Township January 28, 2021 Draft Minutes Prepared by Clerk, Leigh Gifford
Fife Lake Township December 17, 2020 Minutes Approved with correction by the Fife Lake Township Board, January 28, 2021.