

MULLETT TOWNSHIP

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MULLETT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING FOR MAY 13, 2024

6:30 PM AT MULLETT TOWNSHIP HALL

The Mullett Township Board of Trustees met at the Mullett Township Hall, Topinabee, MI, 49791 at 6:30 PM on May 13, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Judge Aaron Gauthier. Members present were Supervisor Laz Surabian, Clerk Denise Ackerman, Trustee Brett Lindgren, and Trustee Mike Goerke. Treasurer Brenda Bowes was absent. Also present were Judge Aaron Gauthier, County Commissioner Ron Williams, and Mullett Township Fire Chief Mike English. There were 15 constituents present.

Public Comment was opened at 6:31 PM and closed at 6:42 PM with comments by Brenda Bowes, Tom O'Hare, and Dennis Jonski.

Brett Lindgren made a motion, with support by Mike Goerke, that the agenda be approved with one revision. The motion passed.

Mike Goerke made a motion, with the support of Brett Lindgren, that the minutes of the April 8, 2024, meeting be approved. The motion passed.

The Honorable Aaron J. Gauthier, Chief Judge of the 53rd Circuit Court, presented his annual update on the Circuit Court. Items of interest included 2022-23 felony cases were the highest in recent history, but the jury trial backup was all caught up. For the Court in 2023 there was a new referee and a new Friend of the Court Director, both doing great work. And the Court's transparency initiative has had 1.2 million views.

Mike Goerke made a motion, with support by Brett Lindgren, that we pay the bills. The motion passed.

REPORTS:

The Treasurer's Report for April 2024 is summarized as follows:

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| General Fund 101 | \$1,047,724.95 |
| Fire Fund 206 | \$1,043,225.08 |
| Liquor Fund 212 | \$1,141.99 |
| Street Light Fund 219 | \$11,470.64 |
| Library Fund 271 | \$1,006.67 |
| Tax Fund 703 | \$405.92 |
| TOTAL ALL FUNDS: | \$2,104,975.25 |

A motion was made by Brett Lindgren, supported by Mike Goerke, that the Treasurer's report be accepted and filed. Motion passed.

The Clerk's Expenditure Report for April 2024 is summarized as follows:

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| General Fund 101 | \$35,747.99 |
| Fire Fund 206 | \$1,782.11 |
| Liquor Fund 212 | \$161.47 |
| Street Light Fund 219 | \$11.35 |
| Library Fund 271 | \$3,728.59 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES: | \$41,431.51 |

A motion was made by Brett Lindgren, supported by Mike Goerke, that the Clerk's report be accepted and filed. Motion passed. The Clerk reported on the Treasurer's behalf that all April accounts were balanced.

Mullett Township Administrative Fire Chief Mike English made the monthly Fire Report for Topinabee Fire Department, reporting 9 runs – 8 fire & 1 EMS for April: 6 in Mullett Township, 2 in Burt Township and 1 Mutual Aid. He also reported 3 fire runs for the East Mullett Fire Department in April: 2 in Mullett and 1 Mutual Aid.

Mike Goerke made a motion, with support from Brett Lindgren, that the Board authorize Beach repair on the Topinabee beach for an amount not to exceed \$7500 to be done by Mullett Lake Landscaping and Tree Service. The motion passed.

Denise Ackerman made a motion, with support from Mike Goerke, that the Board award the bid to Skip's Petoskey Glass in the amount of \$6956 to furnish and install two new six panel doors and frames at the Topinabee Park Restrooms. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Grant Applications:** Mike Goerke reported that both grants have been flipped to Capital Improvement grants.
- **Boy Scout Park:** Phase 1 of the Playground Upgrade will be underway in the very near future and there will be a meeting this week with Mike Goerke, Joyce Stroman, and David Benedek on the details for the Little Free Library that David Benedek is building there.
- **Topinabee Boat Launch:** Brett Lindgren reported that the new augured stanchions at the launch are holding well, with good grades from boaters.
- **Roads:** Laz Surabian reported that the brining of the roads is scheduled for the week of June 24, 2024.

Call to the public was offered at 8:18 PM with comments nu Mary Durkin, Dennis Jonski, and Jeff Hozeska. Motion to adjourn was offered by Brett Lindgren, with support by Mike Goerke, at 8:26 PM. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Ackerman

Mullett Township Clerk

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