# **ECKFORD TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING November 15, 2021**

A monthly meeting of Eckford Township Board was held on Monday November 15, 2021 at the Eckford Township Hall. A quorum being present the meeting continued. The meeting was called to order at 7:38 pm by Supervisor B. Rapp. Other board members in attendance, Treasurer T. Baylis, Clerk L. Blight, Trustee W. Cornell and Trustee B. Maksimchuk and Zoning Administrator D. Malloch. Community members in attendance, Martha Frohm, Bill & Lois Haeske, Richard DeJong, Peter Loonen, Chief Art Blight, Nancy Binkowski and Calhoun County Clerk Kim Hinkley.

**APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 18, 2021 MINUTES:** A copy of the October 18, 2021 meeting minutes was emailed to each board member for their review. Trustee Maksimchuk moved to accept the October 18, 2021 regular meeting minutes as written. Support was given by Trustee Cornell.

Vote was taken, all-in favor. MINUTES APPROVED.

**APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:** A copy of the October 11, 2021 special meeting minutes was emailed to each board member for their review. Trustee Maksimchuk moved to accept the October 11, 2021 special meeting minutes as written. Support was given by Trustee Cornell.

Vote was taken, all-in-favor. SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES ARRROVED.

### **CITIZENS COMMENTS: None**

## TREASURERS FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Cash on Hand October	370,391.01
October Income	24,669.73
Fire Department total	3,624.60
October Disbursements	12,604.56
November Expenses to be paid	10,817.32
John Hancock balance	83,165.20

Trustee Cornell moved we accept the Treasurers report as read. Support was given by Trustee Maksimchuk.

Vote was taken, all-in favor. TREASURERS REPORT APPROVED.

**HOMER FIRE BOARD REPORT**: Homer Fire Board restructured its invoicing percentage. This will increase Eckfords share by \$5,678.00 per year. Motion was made by Trustee Cornell to accept the Homer Fire Department budget. Support was given by Trustee Maksimchuk.

Vote taken. 4 yes, 1 no. Homer Fire Department budget PASSED.

MARENGO FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: No activity.

**MARSHALL FIREFIGHTERS' AMBULANCE REPORT:** Audit report was approved. There is a concern in the department with employee retention, a 2% raise was given across all employees.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** Completed applications for 1 building permit for Lundbeg on 18 ½ Mile Road for roof repair.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT:** Code Enforcer waiting for direction on the Newsome properties. The Code Enforcement Officer has reached out to the squatters Parole Officer and has of this meeting not received a return call.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Meeting was held Monday November 8, at 6:30 pm. The Planning Commission reviewed the ORV ordinance and decided that it is something that Calhoun Country should review and possibly adopt. Also reviewed the procedure for the public hearing that will be held on Monday November 15, before the regular board meeting.

**LIBRARY BOARD REPORT:** Library is offering take home kits for all ages. **COMMUNICATIONS:** 

Marshall Recycle Center opens up Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Alzheimer's Support group would like to have a link on our website. Board declined.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

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### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Poverty Guidelines: Resolution 2021-11 to Establish Poverty Guidelines. Trustee Cornell moved we accept the Resolution 2021-11 to Establish Poverty Guidelines. Support was given by Trustee Maksimchuk.

Vote was taken. All-in-Favor. RESOLUTION 2021-11 ADOPTED.

Resolution 2021-12 to Waive Penalties for Non-Filing of Property Transfer Affidavits under MCL-211.27b. Motion was made by Trustee Cornell accept the Resolution 2021-12 Waive Penalties for Non-Filing of Property Transfer Affidavits. Support was given by Trustee Maksimchuk.

Vote was taken. All-in-Favor. RESOLUTION 2021-12 ADOPTED.

Trustee Cornell moved we accept the Poverty Exemption Affidavit, also, Guideline for Applicants Requesting Consideration for Poverty Exemptions and Federal Poverty Guidelines used in the Determination of Poverty Exemptions for 2021 and MCL 211.7u Poverty Exemption Taxpayer Fact Sheet also, Application for MCL 211.7u Poverty Exemption. Support was given by Trustee Maksinchuk.

Vote was taken. All-in-Favor. All PASSED.

Resolution 2021-13 Resolution to Set an Alternate Date for the July or December Board of Review. Trustee Cornell moved we accept the Resolution 2021-13 to set an Alternate Date for the July or December Board of Review. Support was given by Trustee Cornell.

Vote was taken. All-in-Favor. Resolution 2021-13 ADOPTED.

Having no new business, Clerk Blight motioned that we adjourn @ 8:18 pm.

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**Eckford Township Clerk** 

Bruce Rapp

Supervisor

Date Approved: