

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023, 7:00 P.M.
1968 CLEAR LAKE RD, WEST BRANCH, MI 48661**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Miller at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge to the flag.

Roll call, Miller, VanGoethem, Shirey, McIntyre present, Brenner, absent.

Treasurer report received and filed.

Assessor report received and filed.

Assistant Fire Chief Deland reported on fire and medical runs for October. Log truck Rollover Company accident were billed \$4100.00.

Discussion on Park Cameras people tearing up the parking lot. Installation of cameras by ball diamond and toward road. Brian Leibler from Medler came out and looked at poles to see if they were camera ready not enough power circuits to install cameras. Other ideas were installing super circuit with DVD recorder, antennas and cameras. Discussion was held on locking the park at the end of October, Shirey reported people ski in the park in the winter.

Library report received and filed.

Motion by Shirey, supported by VanGoethem, to accept the Employee Evaluation Review; the motion carried.

Commissioner report received and filed.

Motion by Miller, supported by VanGoethem, to pay bills as presented, the motion carried.

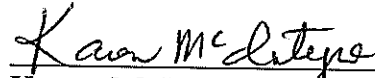
Fire Department spending is froze until the second week of December.

Sheriff Gilbert spoke about the bill on the governor's desk for more ORV patrol waiting to be signed. Snowmobile safety class will be at the high school on December 16, please follow the Sheriff department on their Facebook page. Sheriff reported on the road patrol renewal millage in February for road patrol if this does not pass there will be no road patrol.

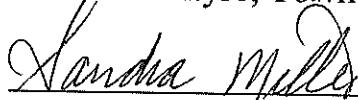
Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

FOSTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

Minutes prepared by,



Karen McIntyre, Township Clerk



Approved by Supervisor, Sandra Miller

11/14/2023

ACCOUNT BALANCE REPORT FOR FOSTER TOWNSHIP
PERIOD ENDING 11/30/2023

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	END BALANCE 11/30/2023
Fund 101 - GENERAL OPERATING FUND		
Assets		
101-000-001.000	CASH-CHECKING	154,090.76
101-000-002.000	GENERAL SAVINGS	101,225.14
101-000-002.003	EFT/UTILITIES CHECKING	7,667.53
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>262,983.43</u>
Fund 206 - FIRE FUND		
Assets		
206-000-001.000	CASH-CHECKING	83,323.83
206-000-004.000	FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND CHECKING	55,275.58
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>138,599.41</u>
Fund 210 - PARK FUND		
Assets		
101-000-003.002	CD-CEMETERY	13,151.87
101-000-003.010	CD-PARK	6,105.22
101-000-008.000	CD-MERCANTILE BANK	52,019.48
101-000-003.000	MAINTENANCE FUND CASH SAVINGS	51,442.63
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>122,719.20</u>

Foster Township Assessor Report-

October/November 2023

- Fieldwork wrapping up.
- Attended Doug Stover Education Day, Clare, MI
- Balanced with Equalization for Winter 2023 Tax Bills
- Signed Winter 2023 Tax Warrant
- Changes with Disabled Veterans Exemption, now Assessors Responsibility.
- No DBOR 2023

Allison Thompson

11/14/2023

WEST BRANCH DISTRICT LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday October 2, 2023

Call to order: President K. Michael called meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. followed by pledge of allegiance.

Members present: K. Michael, M. Durfee, T. Barnhart, S. Jennings, D. Beamish, K. Shirey, alternate K. Glasser and director J. Sheridan. Members absent: K. Kripli, S. Smith

Approval of Agenda: S. Jennings motioned to approve agenda, T. Barnhart supported, all in favor. Motion passed

Public comment: None

Board minutes: on file. T. Barnhart motioned to approve minutes from August 7, 2023, K. Michael support. All in favor.

Bills to Pay: Mid-month and end of month bills reviewed. S. Jennings motioned to pay bills totaling \$5251.28, K. Michael supported, all in favor, motion passed.

Financial Report: Verbal report by director as copies not available. Nonresident fees are up slightly, the couch we needed to replace due to soilage pushed that line item up but overall, we are right on target for this month.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: No word on the pending litigation as of this month.

New business: 1. Disaster policy draft copy was distributed- members will review and make any necessary changes and vote on next meeting. 2. Michigan CLASS distribution summary reviewed. Income earned in just 2 months is \$483.84. 3. Director informed board of the form L-4029 submitted. 4. The millage committee will meet next week and review necessary steps to potentially put additional millage on the ballot in May. 5. There are some lighting issues in the reading by the fireplace and over service desk. Will continue to keep board informed.

Director's Report: Reviewed highlights with the board. There was a bus trip to the DIA on the 14th with 50 people attending and it was well received. More plans for other day trips are being formed. The library continues to have many different events and activities planned and are being well attended.

Next meeting: November 6 at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Kathy Shirey, secretary

November 14, 2023

To: Foster Township Board

From: kathy Shirey

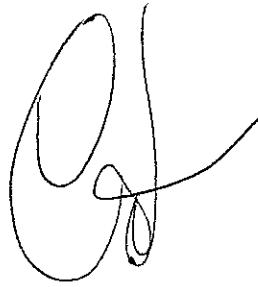
Re: Library meeting November 6, 2023

Just a FYI, the minutes of the meetings can be seen on the WBDL website. Our lawsuit against WB Township for the captured millage monies was approved and will be heard by the appellate court December 8. The director submitted his annual report for FY 2022-2023 . There was a slight rebound of penal fines which amounted to \$2000.00 but they continue to be less than half of our pre-covid amounts. In 2019 penal fines made up 48% of our budget and this year they make up 33%. With many cuts, including staffing, the library continues to struggle. Staff continue to improve services and add programs to offer the community. Most of these programs are free or grants are found. There were 43 children's programs and 11 adult programs offered. There was a committee formed to review finances and consider the feasibility of an additional millage to run concurrent with the 0.4 mil currently accessed. I will keep the board informed of the findings. Total number of card holders increased by 126 patrons. Out of District patrons total 872- almost as many as West Branch Township at 908. Foster has 264.

October 19,2023

Committee members S. Smith, K. Shirey and J. Sheridan met to discuss the possibility of putting forth another millage to help offset lost costs to the library. Discussion on how much, when to place on the ballot, ballot language etc. was discussed. It was our general consensus to propose to the board as a whole that we consider requesting .4 mil to run 5 years consecutively with our current millage so that they will both renew at the same time in 5 years. Our first step will be to review and bring up to date our brochure we used in the last millage as it was very factual and explained our position. We will discuss further possibilities of fund raising with the board as a whole. We want to put this on the May ballot which is normally for school issues and libraries.

November 14, 2023

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Commissioner Report

1. Nov 9th , Ogemaw Kids Day, all county officials were shadowed with a sixth grader from the Whittemore – Prescott schools.
2. Resolution to approve the County Veteran of the Year, Charlie D. Puzjak
3. Resolution to approve Snowmobile and trailer purchase for the Sheriff's office. Paid for by the Dow Foundation Grant.
4. Resolution to amend the Jail Medical Contract.
5. Resolution to place a Special Millage for Sheriff Road Patrol on the February, 2024 ballot.
6. Resolution to approve agreement for purchase of a Transit Van, paid by a Surface Transportation Grant.
7. Resolution to approve Homeland Security Grant expenditures for Incident Command Training and the CERT trailer.
8. Appointed members to the County Land Bank Authority Board.

Committee reports;

1. Parks and Recreation; RV park is closed for the season. The deer at the Nature Park are under Quarantine for 5 years, the park is closed during the Rut.
2. Airport; Met with the Engineers about the runway repaving project..
3. Road Commission;

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Invoice Vendor	Description	Amount
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11/27/2023	EFT/U	816(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	LED LIGHTS	279.05
11/27/2023	EFT/U	817(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	354.81
11/27/2023	EFT/U	818(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	LED LIGHTS	355.68
11/27/2023	EFT/U	819(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	PARK LIGHTS	279.05
11/27/2023	EFT/U	820(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	TWP HALL	30.57
11/27/2023	EFT/U	821(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	GARAGE LIGHTS	99.68
11/27/2023	EFT/U	822(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	FIRE HALL	30.90
11/27/2023	EFT/U	823(E)	00043	CONSUMERS ENERGY	CONSUMERS ENERGY	FIRE HALL	97.18
11/27/2023	EFT/U	824(E)	00058	FERRELLIGAS	FERRELLIGAS	TWP HALL	372.81
11/27/2023	EFT/U	825(E)	00134	XEROX CORPORATION	XEROX CORPORATION	OCTOBER BILLING	37.64
11/27/2023	EFT/U	826(E)	00134	XEROX CORPORATION	XEROX CORPORATION	SEPTEMBER BILLING	40.75

EFT/U TOTALS:

Total of 11 Checks: 1,978.12
 Less 0 Void Checks: 0.00
 Total of 11 Disbursements: 1,978.12

Bank Fire FIRE DEPARTMENT CHECKING

11/14/2023	Fire	2118	00128	WEST BRANCH AUTOMOTIVE	WEST BRANCH AUTOMOTIVE	SATIN	157.67
11/14/2023	Fire	2119	00409	DARYL DUPAGE	DARYL DUPAGE	FLOOR LEVELING CEMENT/DRILL	416.26
11/14/2023	Fire	2120	00486	MID-MICHIGAN FIRE PROTE	MID-MICHIGAN FIRE PROTE	EXTINGUISHER SERVICE	637.50
11/14/2023	Fire	2121	00019	WEST BRANCH ACE HARDWAR	WEST BRANCH ACE HARDWAR	BATTERIES	182.91

FIRE TOTALS:

Total of 4 Checks: 1,394.34
 Less 0 Void Checks: 0.00
 Total of 4 Disbursements: 1,394.34

Bank FIREQ FIRE VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT FUND

10/23/2023	FIREQ	1261	00484	OGEMAW FIRE DEPARTMENT	OGEMAW FIRE DEPARTMENT	COATS, HELMETS REIMB FOR F	1,287.76
10/23/2023	FIREQ	1262	00484	OGEMAW FIRE DEPARTMENT	OGEMAW FIRE DEPARTMENT	BALANCE DUE FOR FEMA	191.57
11/14/2023	FIREQ	1263	00418	HEIMAN INC	HEIMAN INC	PVC HOSE, STRAINER	725.95
11/14/2023	FIREQ	1264	00419	PREMIER SAFETY	PREMIER SAFETY	HOSE TESTING	1,110.00

FIREQ TOTALS:

Total of 6 Checks: 5,639.48
 Less 0 Void Checks: 0.00
 Total of 6 Disbursements: 5,639.48

Bank Gener GENERAL FUND CHECKING

11/14/2023	FIREQ	1266	00485	W.S. DARLEY CO	W.S. DARLEY CO	6" PVC PLUG	907.90
11/14/2023	FIREQ	1266	00485	W.S. DARLEY CO	W.S. DARLEY CO	ADAPTERS	320.30
11/14/2023	FIREQ	1266	00485	LEXIPOL, LLC	LEXIPOL, LLC	TRAINING	1,156.00

10/23/2023	Gener	8756	00020	ACCIDENT FUND	ACCIDENT FUND	2022-2023 AUDIT	2,864.00
11/14/2023	Gener	8779	00158	CITY OF WEST BRANCH	CITY OF WEST BRANCH	RECYCLING	197.64
11/14/2023	Gener	8780	00391	CLEAR LAKE WHISPERING P	CLEAR LAKE WHISPERING P	FALL CLEAN UP	1,050.00

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CHECK REGISTER FOR FOSTER TOWNSHIP
CHECK DATE FROM 10/23/2023 - 11/30/2023

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Invoice Vendor	Description	Amount
11/14/2023	Gener	8781	00468	GFL ENVIRONMENTAL	GFL ENVIRONMENTAL	TRASH REMOVAL	1,689.95
11/14/2023	Gener	8782	00070	HOME DEPOT	HOME DEPOT	BOLTS, SCREWS-PARK	10.22 V
11/14/2023	Gener	8783	00156	LIL WILLIES PORTA POTS	LIL WILLIES PORTA POTS	RENTAL FROM SEPT-OCT	100.00
11/14/2023	Gener	8784	00050	OGEPAW COUNTY TREASURER	OGEPAW COUNTY TREASURER	QUARTERLY PRINC RESID EXEM	5.53

GENER TOTALS:

Total of 7 Checks: 5,917.34
Less 1 Void Checks: 10.22
Total of 6 Disbursements: 5,907.12

REPORT TOTALS:

Total of 28 Checks: 14,989.28
Less 1 Void Checks: 10.22
Total of 27 Disbursements: 14,979.06

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Clerks Check Register
For Check Dates 11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023

Check Number	Name	Check Date	Pay Period End Date	Net
8757	AMMOND , JAMES T.	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	72.86
8758	BRENNER , STEVEN J.	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	130.01
8759	COLEMAN , DEAN L	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	235.57
8760	DELAND , RICHARD J.	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	225.37
8761	DUPAGE, DARYL P	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	298.58
8762	DUPAGE, LOGAN Q	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	444.87
8763	KECKSTEIN, TODD A	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	97.32
8764	KINSLER, PAUL D	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	286.22
8765	KOWALCZYK , KEVIN S.	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	125.12
8766	LEIBLER , SHANTEL D	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	106.36
8767	MCFADDEN , KENNETH P	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	48.39
8768	MCINTYRE , DWIGHT L.	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	101.47
8769	MCINTYRE , KAREN M	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	741.29
8770	MESKE, ROD	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	80.15
8771	MILLER , SANDRA S.	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	706.88
8772	MORRISH , EDWARD	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	541.20
8773	REETZ, ROBERT G	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	97.32
8774	SEKELY, JOHN J	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	652.83
8775	SEKELY, ROXANNE L	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	46.74
8776	SHIREY , KATHLEEN E.	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	130.01
8777	THOMPSON , ALLISON N	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	1,252.29
8778	VANGOETHEM, COLLEEN M	11/14/2023	11/30/2023	745.28
EFT39	EFTPS,	11/14/2023		1,682.30
Total Checks: 23				8,848.43