

February 12, 2024

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Supervisor Kelly called the regular meeting of the Summit Township Board to order at 7:00 pm. Members present: Supervisor Wayne Kelly, Clerk Kay Deanda, Treasurer Mary Bedker, Trustee Ed Chase and Trustee Todd Jorissen.

Motion by Bedker seconded by Jorissen to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes all. Motion carried.

The Meeting Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on December 11, 2023; the January 17, 2024 Special Meeting for the Public Accuracy Test on the voting equipment to be used for the February 27, 2024 Presidential Preference Primary Election and February 2, 2024 Meeting of the Election Commission to appoint Election Inspectors and Receiving Board also for the February 27, 2024 Presidential Preference Primary Election. were approved as presented with a motion by Chase seconded by Bedker. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Communications:**

1. **Sheriff Report**-Summit had 10 calls in December and 6 calls in January. There was a total of 141 calls in Summit for 2023. The Sheriff's Department came in under budget in 2023.
2. **Fire Chief Report**- Total calls for Riverton Fire Department for 2023 was 175. With Summit having 76 of these calls. Riverton Fire Department is celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. A celebration will happen this summer/fall. The yearly fund raiser pancake breakfast is scheduled for Mother's Day, May 12. Ralph Lundberg is our new local representative on the Mason County Rural Fire Authority board.
3. **Commissioners Report**- County is applying for the "Chill" Grant to help with Mason County homeowners home improvements. Mason County is setting up a plan for the Materials Management Plan (MMP) that will deal with sold waste. EGLE is looking to reduce the use and disposal of materials that could end up in landfills. (see <https://www.michigan.gov/egle/about/organization/materials-management/materials-management-in-michigan>)  
The county has purchased the city block that the jail is in which includes a church. Possession of the church will not take place for 2 years. County is looking for best uses for this building. Several chassis have been ordered to rebuild 2 ambulances. DTE is looking to change the local solar ordinance in the county. If nothing changes by November the state will set their own standards and by-pass the local ordinances.
4. **Communications- none**

**Brief Public Comment – none**

**Under Old Business the following was discussed:**

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**Under New Business the Following was discussed:**

1. **Set Meeting Dates for 2023-2024** – A motion was made by Deanda and seconded by Chase that the Summit Township Board will meet every other month for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.  
The meetings will be held at the Summit Township Hall starting on April 1, 2024 but the following meetings will be on the second Monday of the month. The meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. Ayes all.  
Motion carried.

**2. Set Budget Workshop Date** - The Budget Workshop was set for February 20, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Summit Township Hall.

**3. 2024 Contract with Larsen's Landscaping** – Motion by Bedker to contract for the full program of 5 applications and to pay the bill in full for prepaid discount, for the total of \$1503.00. Seconded by Chase. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**4. Resolution establishing Poverty Guidelines for Exemption from Property Tax Contributions** – A motion was made by Chase and seconded by Bedker to adopt the “A resolution establishing poverty guidelines for exemption from property tax contributions” with the Asset Test attached, submitted by Jared Litviller (Township Assessor) in its entirety. Ayes all. Motion carried

**Treasurer's report** was given with a December 2023 balance of \$363,229.95, disbursement of \$59,931.71 and revenues of \$83,990.32 leaving a January 2024 balance of \$387,288.56.

Treasurer will have in-office hours on February 14, 2024 (last day to pay with no interest attached) and February 29, 2024 (last day to pay WTTI interest attached) from 9AM to noon and 1PM until 5PM.


Chase made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$30,475.39 for check 11633 thru 11676 inclusive and payroll check 15686 thru 15698 totaling \$29,456.32 for a total of \$59,931.71. Seconded by Jorissen. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Report** – The 9 days of Early Voting for the February 27, 2024 Election will start Saturday February 13, 2024 and be held at the Scottville Library from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You can also vote here at the township hall from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Samples are posted on the back wall of the hall and on the outside notice board.

**Supervisor's Report** – Board of Review will be held March 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Extended Public Comment:** none

There being no further business brought before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

  
Kay DeLanda Summit Township Clerk