

August 12, 2024

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

The minutes for June 10, 2024 for the Election Commission to approve the Election Inspectors and Receiving Board for the August 6, 2024 Primary Election and the Regular Meeting; On June 24, 2024 for the Special Meeting to Conduct the Public Accuracy Test for the August 6, 2024 Primary Election; On July 12, 2024 for the Special Meetings of the Election Commission to approve the Election Inspectors for the 9 Day Early Voting Site and the Township Board to approve Resolution #2024-01 to establish payment for the Election Inspectors of the Early Voting Site #2 both for the August 6, 2024 Primary Election were approved as presented with a motion by Bedker seconded by Jorissen. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Communications:**

1. **Sheriff Report** - Sheriff's department now supplies 4 deputies to the local Mason County schools. Some of the state funds have been removed to keep mental health and other programs going. Looking at the local budget to see what can be done.
2. **Fire Chief Report** - MCRFA now has 3 Lucas Automatic CRP machines, these cost \$26,000 each. There is one at Riverton, one at Custer and one at Grant (from last year) firehouses. Looking to add dry hydrants in the Eden Township area this year and more next year in the Summit Township area.
3. **Commissioners Report** - The county is participating in the CHILL (CDBG Housing Improving Local Livability) Program from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. This grant provides funds to help with the county's already existing housing when it comes to repairs and improvements on things like plumbing and kitchen facilities. The Senior Millage passed in the August election, these funds will be used for programs for seniors at the Snug Harbor, Blue Hat and Lakeshore Resource facilities. Other issues being looked at by the County Commissioners are Computer Security where costs are up and adding cameras to the airport.
4. **Communications** - none

**Brief Public Comment** – From the Bass Lake Improvement Board, the lake was treated on June 11, 2024. Recently the Health Department took samples of a green film on the surface of the lake. Testing of this substance is ongoing to determine what it is. The Board is asking for everyone to stay clear of this film. All local and state entities have been notified of this issue. Bass Lake Property Owners Association have taken care of the clean up of the graffiti on the dam. The BLPOA is looking to help with the ongoing issues at the Bass Lake Outlet. They would like to join with the Sheriff's Department, the Summit Township Board and BLIB and anyone else interested in coming up with a plan for the safety and security of the outlet in coming years. Several ideas for security measures and signage were voiced by meeting attendees.

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

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

- A. **Ragnar Race 2024**-Motion made by Chase, seconded by Deanda, to allow Ragnar Michigan to the use

of Summit Park on Sept 21, 2024 from 1 AM to 5:30 AM. Ayes all, Motion carried.

**B. Bass Lake Outlet and Mack Rd-Signage Ideas Discussion of ideas was had. A Motion to have the signs say "Cars parked here after 10:00 PM are subject to towing at owners' expense". (6 duplicate signs) was made by Chase, seconded by Bedker. Ayes all. Motion carried. The sign that was destroyed will also be replaced with the same wording.**

**Treasurer's report** was given with a June 1, 2024 balance of \$522,849.11 disbursement of \$80,961.58 and revenues of \$43,010.19 leaving a July 31, 2024 balance of \$484,897.72.

Summit Township Tax Bills are currently out. Final day to pay without interest is August 16, 2024 due to the 15<sup>th</sup> being on a Sunday. Treasurer will be in the office on August 16, 2024 from 9:00 to Noon and 1:00 to 5:00.

Chase made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$45,793.36 for check 11767 thru 11824 inclusive and payroll check 15729 thru 15742 totaling \$35,168.22 for a total of \$80,961.58. Seconded by Jorissen. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Report** - We had a good turn out for the August election.

**Supervisor's Report** - Working on several land divisions now. All the water samples for the third quarter have been completed. There will be one more for the Summit Township Park in October.

**Extended Public Comment** - Several residents voiced their support that Summit Township team up with the Bass Lake Property Owners Association in finding a solution to the issues going on at the Bass Lake Outlet. Also voiced were concerns about what the internet says about the outlet and whether any area tourism groups are directing people to the outlet. In addition, was a question as to where the people who are causing the issues would go to continue their actions. There was a question about all the ordinances being posted on the township website. A review of what is there and having any missing ordinances added to the list is ongoing.

There being no further business brought before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Kay Deabada Summit Township Clerk

