

## Approved Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board was held on Thursday, January 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., at the Manistee Township Hall. Board members present were Supervisor Dennis Bjorkquist, Clerk Dianne Taylor, Treasurer Connie Jankwietz and Trustee Guy Finout. Also present were Fire Captain Sam Koscinski, Deputy Clerk Melanie Skory, and Arielle Breen of the Manistee News Advocate. Trustee John Dontz, County Commissioner Jeff Dontz, Liquor Inspector Rick Clouse and Zoning Administrator Karen Clouse were absent.

Supervisor Dennis Bjorkquist called the meeting to order. All attending stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

Minutes of the December 9, 2021 Manistee Township Board meeting were provided. Treasurer Jankwietz made the motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Trustee Finout. All in favor; motion carried.

Treasurer Jankwietz provided the Treasurer's report for the month of December 2021. The receipts were \$74,669.39; expenditures were \$54,361.97, leaving a balance of \$96,601.58 in the General Fund as of December 31, 2021. Treasurer's report was placed on file.

There were no public comments at this time.

Manistee County Commissioner Jeff Dontz was absent.

Zoning Administrator Karen Clouse was absent.

Fire Captain Sam Koscinski reported twenty-six (26) activities for the month of December; eleven (11) fire related runs, nine (9) medical runs, and six (6) meeting/training sessions. The warranty/recall work has begun on Truck 131. A coolant leak was identified on Truck 134 and was repaired. The new generator is running well and has weekly self-checks on Mondays. The Revenue Sharing grant valves have been ordered. All fire extinguishers have been inspected; a few were sent out for hydro testing. The 4500 psi air pack bottles are also being hydro tested and all equipment should be back within a two (2) week time frame.

In the absence of Liquor Inspector Rick Clouse, Supervisor Bjorkquist reported there were no violations or citations for the month of December.

Supervisor Bjorkquist gave a brief update on the township. The roundabout project on M22 and US-31 has been delayed until July 2022. Supervisor Bjorkquist extended his thanks to Captain Sam for assuming extra responsibilities in the absence of a fire chief. The M55 bridge project is complete and open. The Recreation Plan is on schedule and being reviewed. Eric Sullivan will be at the township hall on Monday, January 10 and Tuesday, January 11 to answer any questions disabled veterans may have regarding property taxes. The route for trash pick-up will remain the same (current route) as it has been since the M55 bridge closure. The Township is seeking one (1) member for the Board of Review. Supervisor Bjorkquist extended his thanks to the firefighters and EMTs for all of their hard work.

A Resolution Approving Grant Submission for a Fire Department 6000 psi Breathing Air Compressor was presented to the Board. Captain Koscinski explained the system in detail. It

was moved by Trustee Finout and supported by Treasurer Jankwietz to approve the grant submission. In a roll call vote, the following voted in favor: Trustee Finout, Treasurer Jankwietz, Clerk Taylor, Supervisor Bjorkquist. None voting against. Absent was Trustee Dontz. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

## **Resolution No. 2022-01**

### **A Resolution Approving Grant Submission for a Fire Department 6000psi Breathing Air Compressor**

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Manistee recognizes the need for the Fire Department to have sound working fire apparatus to protect the residents of the Township and surrounding areas when responding to fires; and,

**WHEREAS**, Manistee Township Fire Department currently transports four (4) large air bottles to the City of Manistee for filling in order to re-fill the firefighter air packs; and,

**WHEREAS**, there may be funding available through the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians/State of Michigan Gaming Compact Grant Program that would allow for the purchase of a 6000psi Compressor that would complete the department breathing air system by providing the ability to re-fill firefighter air packs at the fire department for our firefighters, and for our mutual aid partners in the county, without transporting any large tanks to the City; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Manistee Township Board approves the submission of a grant application to upgrade the current Cascade and Compressor Breathing Air System at an estimated cost of \$33,629.00. Reduced funding will prevent the equipment from being purchased.

Trustee Finout made a motion to approve the resolution, Treasurer Jankwietz seconded.

Yeas: Finout, Jankwietz, Taylor, Bjorkquist

Nays: None

Absent: Dontz

Resolution declared adopted.

I, Dianne Taylor, the duly appointed and acting Clerk of the Township of Manistee do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-01 duly adopted at the regular meeting of the Manistee Township Board, and a true and correct copy is included in the January 6, 2022 Manistee Township Board Minutes.

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Dianne Taylor  
Manistee Township Clerk

A Resolution Approving Grant Submission for a Training Breaching Door was presented to the Board. Captain Koscinski explained the benefits of having this door for training. It was moved by Treasurer Jankwietz and supported by Clerk Taylor to approve the grant submission. In a roll call vote, the following voted in favor: Treasurer Jankwietz, Clerk Taylor, Trustee Finout, Supervisor Bjorkquist. None voting against. Absent was Trustee Dontz. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

## **Resolution No. 2022-02**

### **A Resolution Approving Grant Submission for a Training Breaching Door**

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Manistee recognizes the need for the Fire Department to have sound working fire and rescue training apparatus in order to protect the residents of the Township and surrounding areas when participating in fire and rescue operations; and,

**WHEREAS**, Manistee Township Fire Department currently uses videos to train on methods used to force open the outward swinging doors commonly found in commercial buildings entry/exits and as bulkhead doors on the rooftops of apartment and condo buildings; and,

**WHEREAS**, there may be funding available through the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians/State of Michigan Gaming Compact Grant Program that would allow for the purchase of a Forcible Entry Training Simulator Door to develop hands-on skills under realistic conditions; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Manistee Township Board approves the submission of a grant application to purchase the Forcible Entry Training Simulator Door at an estimated cost of \$8,530.00. Reduced funding will prevent the equipment from being purchased.

Treasurer Jankwietz made a motion to approve the resolution, Clerk Taylor seconded.

Yeas: Jankwietz, Taylor, Finout, Bjorkquist

Nays: None

Absent: Dontz

Resolution declared adopted.

I, Dianne Taylor, the duly appointed and acting Clerk of the Township of Manistee do

hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2022-01 duly adopted at the regular meeting of the Manistee Township Board, and a true and correct copy is included in the January 6, 2022 Manistee Township Board Minutes.

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The December bill payment detail has been provided. Trustee Finout made the motion to pay the bills for December as provided and the January and February bills as they are received; Treasurer Jankwietz seconded the motion. All voted in favor; motion carried.

**Manistee County MTA Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Arcadia Township Hall, 3422 Lake Street, Arcadia, MI 49613.**

**The re-scheduled January Manistee Township Planning Commission Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Manistee Township Hall.**

**Manistee Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Manistee Township Hall (if there is an appeal).**

**Manistee Township Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Manistee Township Hall.**

**Next regular meeting of the Manistee Township Board will be held on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street. NO meeting in February.**

There being no further business or public comments to come before the board, it was moved by Clerk Taylor, seconded by Treasurer Jankwietz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Taylor  
Manistee Township Clerk