

Fork Township Regular Meeting

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Fork Township Supervisor, Lori Helmer, called the Regular Meeting of the Fork Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited.

Roll call of board members: Lori Helmer-present, Roberta Hazen-present, Doug Brand-present, Mitch Mackersie-present, Tyler Martin-present. All present; none absent.

Public in attendance: Various.

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes

Tyler Martin motioned to approve regular meeting minutes of September 19, 2022 with corrections. Mitch Mackersie seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes

Mitch Mackersie motioned to approve special meeting minutes of September 27, 2022 with corrections. Tyler Martin seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes

Doug Brand motioned to approve special meeting minutes of October 3, 2022 as presented. Mitch Mackersie seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes

Roberta Hazen motioned to approve special meeting minutes of October 10, 2022 as presented. Mitch Mackersie seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of The Treasurers Report

Lori Helmer motioned to approve treasurers report as presented. Mitch Mackersie seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report:

General Fund	\$273,380.17
Fire Op Fund	\$72,785.28
First Responders Rescue Fund	\$22,625.73
Fire Equipment Fund CD	\$130,105.58
Fire Equipment Fund	\$226,548.81
Tax Collection	\$55,778.37
ARPA-CD1 Fund	\$66,843.59
ARPA-CD 2	\$66,945.03
East Fork Cemetery Trust fund	\$12,751.00
Flake Cemetery Trust Fund	\$16,500.00
Merrill Lake Park-SA Fund	\$652.94
Merrill Lake Roads-SA Fund	\$1,819.25

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Rescue Truck	\$576.10
Road Millage Money	\$80,082.61
West Chippewa Vista-SA Fund	\$5,987.91

Budget Adjustment:

Roberta Hazen motioned to put \$3,000.00 from township hall line item and to township board line item. Seconded by Lori Helmer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Bills

Lori Helmer motioned to approve bills as presented. Tyler Martin seconded. Roll Call Vote: Lori Helmer-yes: Roberta Hazen-yes: Doug Brand-yes: Mitch Mackersie-yes: Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

General Fund and EFTs	14154-14181	\$23,820.48
Fire OP Fund and EFTs	5830-5852	\$10,169.32
Rescue	2748-2758	\$6,801.62
Merrill Lk Imp	773	\$150.00

1. Fork/Barryton Community Fire Dept: Report by Chief Terry Vogel.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Terry Vogel as Fire Chief of Fire Dept for 2023-2024. Lori Helmer seconded. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Sarah Taylor as Assistant Chief of Fire Dept for 2023-2024. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Tom Moore for Chief Captain of Fire Dept 2023-2024. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Troy Snider as Lieutenant for Fire Dept 2023-2024. Seconded by Lori Helmer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Terry Vogel as Training Officer of Fire Dept for 2023-2024 Seconded by Tyler Martin. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Clay Vogel as Safety Officer of Fire Dept 2023-2024. Seconded by Tyler Martin. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tyler Martin to approve tire purchase for \$1041.50 from Olsen Tire. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Mitch Mackersie to purchase six flashlights at \$71.95 each total \$431.70 from Dinges Fire Co. Seconded by Tyler Martin. Roll Call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tyler Martin to approve 24 bottles to be donated to MOISD Career Center Public Safety Program. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. All ayes. Motion carried.

2. Fork Township Rescue: Report by supervisor Terry Vogel.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to retain Terry Vogel as Supervisor position for Rescue for 2023-2024. Seconded by Tyler Martin. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint William Johnson for Training Coordinator for Rescue 2023-2024. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Sarah Taylor 1st Captain for Rescue 2023-2024. Seconded by Lori Helmer. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Roberta Hazen to appoint Ciara Johnson as 2nd Captain for Rescue 2023-2024. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Assessor: Report given by Julia Fletcher.

Motion by Tyler Martin to approve Roberta Hazen to buy time and date stamp. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes, Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

4. Cemeteries: Report given by cemetery clerk.

5. Community Center/hall: Report given by manager Lori Helmer.

6. West Chippewa Vista Committee: Committee report.

7. Merrill Lake Roads & Park Committee: No report.

8. County Commissioner: Report given by Jerilynn Strong.

9. Road Committee: Report given by members.

10. Recycle: No report.

Approval of agenda:

Tyler Martin motioned to approve the agenda. Mitch Mackersie seconded. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

ARPA(American Rescue Plan Act): ARPA discussion.

Cemetery Mangement Plan: Discussion.

New Business:

Election drop box:

Motion by Lori Helmer to approve request to have Riker Welding to do modification to drop box at community center to meet State requirements starting 10-20-23. Seconded by Roberta Hazen. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

Bids for s:now removal services:

Motion by Tyler Martin to approve Wildcat Landscaping for Community Center, Fire Hall bids for 2022-2023; and approve township hall bid if needed. Seconded by Roberta Hazen. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

Notice of vacancy-ground keeper help: Discussion.

Contract -Anywhere Lawn Care, LLC:

Motion by Tyler Martin to accept Anywhere Lawn Care contract with changes of two inch minimum border on all sides of foundations. Seconded by Doug Brand. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-no; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

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Motion by Mitch Mackersie to approve Angie Kopriva of Baird Cotter and Bishop to attend special meeting on 11-10-2022 at 9am to go over past audit at \$450.00. Seconded by Tyler Martin. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Tyler Martin to approve training as listed in the corrective action plan for Clerk, Supervisor and Treasurer at their current hourly rate. Seconded by Mitch MacKersie. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

Corrective Action Plan:

Motion by Tyler Martin to approve and submit corrective action plan as presented. Seconded by Mitch Mackersie. Roll call vote: Lori Helmer-yes; Roberta Hazen-yes; Doug Brand-yes; Mitch Mackersie-yes; Tyler Martin-yes. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Motion by Tyler Martin to approve working in conjunction with the Village of Barryton Planning Committee for park and recreation plan for 2023-2028. Seconded by Lori Helmer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Reports/Roundtable:

Lori Helmer, Supervisor:

Mecosta County Township Association meeting at Big Rapids Township Hall October 24 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Roberta Hazen, Clerk- No report.

Doug Brand, Treasurer-No report.

Mitch Mackersie, Trustee- No report.

Tyler Martin, Trustee- No report.

Adjournment:

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Tyler Martin motioned to adjourn at 10:26 p.m. Mitch Mackersie seconded. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Roberta Hazen, Fork Township Clerk Approved: 11-21-2022