



**ADA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
MARCH 13, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.**

The meeting was conducted at the Ada Township Hall. The roll was called. Members present: Supervisor Leisman, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Moran, and Trustees Carter, Hurwitz, Jacobs, and Proos. Also present: Township Manager Suchy, Planning Director Said, Fire Chief Murray, Parks Director Fitzpatrick, Assessor Boerman, Accountant Rodriguez, and approximately six members of the community.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Hurwitz, supported by Jacobs, to approve the March 13, 2023, agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

**GENERAL TOWNSHIP BUSINESS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of Board Meeting Minutes & Accept Reports/Communications**

1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes – February 27, 2023

Receive and File Various Reports and Communications

1. Ada Historical Society Meeting Minutes – February 9, 2023
2. Compensation Commission Meeting Minutes – February 14, 2023
3. Compensation Commission Meeting Minutes – March 2, 2023
4. Compensation Commission Elected Officials Salary Decision for FY 2023-0204 and 2024-2025
5. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2023

**Moved by Proos, supported by Carter, to approve the Minutes and Accept the Reports/Communications under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

**ADA TOWNSHIP GENERAL WARRANTS**

Treasurer Moran presented the following Hand Checks: \$6,281.21, Warrants: \$357,489.47. Total of all Checks and Warrants: \$363,770.68. **Moved by Proos, supported by Carter, to approve the Warrant Report for March 13, 2023, in the total amount of \$363,770.68. Roll Call: Yes – Proos, Carter, Hurwitz, Jacobs, Smith, Moran, Leisman; No - 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no Unfinished Business.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Township Budget and 2023-2029 Capital Improvement Plan**

Public Hearing opened and closed at 7:12 p.m. with no public input.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution R-031323-1: A Resolution to Accept the Donation of a Fire Truck on Behalf of the Township and its Fire Department and to Authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to Enter into a Donation Agreement for the Fire Truck**

Fire Chief Murray explained this proposed donation from Amway. **Moved by Moran, supported by Proos, to adopt Resolution R-031323-1, which is a Resolution to Accept the Donation of a Fire Truck on Behalf of the Township and its Fire Department and to Authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to Enter into a Donation Agreement for the Fire Truck. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Proos, Jacobs, Hurwitz, Moran, Leisman, Smith; No – 0; Absent 0. Resolution adopted.**

**Resolution R-031323-2: A Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget**

Manager Suchy explained the amendments needed for the 2022-2023 budget. **Moved by Proos, supported by Moran, to adopt Resolution R-031323-2, which is a Resolution to Amend the 2022-2023 Budget. Roll Call: Yes – Hurwitz, Carter, Proos, Jacobs, Smith, Leisman, Moran; No – 0; Absent – 0. Resolution adopted.**

**Employee Compensation and Benefits Recommendation for FY 2023-2024**

Manager Suchy explained that the Personnel Committee had met and is recommending the employee compensation for 2023-2024 fiscal year. **Moved by Jacobs, supported by Carter, to approve the Employee Compensation and Benefits Recommendation for FY 2023-2024. Motion carried.**

**Resolution R-031323-3: A Resolution Approving the FY 2023-2024 Budget Appropriations**

Manager Suchy presented the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget. **Moved by Jacobs, supported by Moran, to adopt Resolution R-031323-3, which is the FY 2023-2024 Budget Appropriations. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Proos, Hurwitz, Carter, Smith, Leisman, Moran; No – 0; Absent – 0. Resolution adopted.**

**Resolution R-031323-4: A Resolution Approving the 2023-2029 Capital Improvement Program**

**Moved by Proos, supported by Carter, to adopt Resolution R-031323-4, which is the Capital Improvement Plan for 2023-2029. Roll Call: Yes – Hurwitz, Jacobs, Proos, Carter, Moran, Leisman, Smith; No – 0; Absent – 0. Resolution adopted.**

**Release Leonard Field Riverfront Restoration Project Bid Documents for DNR Grant**

Mark Fitzpatrick explained this process. **Moved by Proos, supported by Moran, to move forward with seeking bids and to allow the P.D./Manager to make changes as needed. Motion carried.**

**Award 3-Year Mowing and Trimming Services Contract to Thornapple Inc. for an Amount Not to Exceed \$262,000.00**

Mark Fitzpatrick explained this item. Scott Rissi from Thornapple Inc. was present. **Moved by Proos, supported by Hurwitz, to approve the three-year bid with Thornapple Inc. for \$262,000 for three years. Motion carried.**

**Award Legacy Park River Bank Restoration Repair Project to Lawns of Distinction Landscaping for an Amount Not to Exceed \$14,800.00.**

Mark Fitzpatrick, along with Mike Oezer from Progressive A & E, explained this project. **Moved by Moran, supported by Proos, to approve the restoration repair project with Lawns of Distinction Landscaping for an amount not to exceed \$14,800. Motion carried.**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- A. Township Manager Report- March 8, 2023
- B. Assessing Department Report – March 6, 2023
- C. Downtown Development Authority Director Report – March 6, 2023
- D. Fire Department Report – February, 2023
- E. Historical Society Museum Manager Report – February, 2023
- F. Parks and Recreation Department Report – March 6, 2023
- G. Planning Department Report – March 7, 2023
- H. Engineering Monthly Report – March 7, 2023
- I. F&V Operations & Resource Management Utility Report – March 8, 2023

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENT**

There was no Board Member comment.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Fire Chief Murray stated he had taken a trip to Charlotte regarding the new truck.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Proos, supported by Hurwitz, to move into Closed Session to consider purchase of real property pursuant to MCL 15.268 Section 8(1)(d) of the Michigan open meetings act at 8:21 pm.

Roll Call: Yes – Proos, Hurwitz, Jacobs, Carter, Moran, Leisman, Smith; No – 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.

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**CLOSED SESSION**

(Minutes prepared separately)

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**Moved by Hurwitz, supported by Carter, to return to open session at 9:24 p.m.**

**Moved by Proos, supported by Hurwitz, to proceed as discussed in closed session. Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Hurwitz, supported by Carter, to adjourn. Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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Jacqueline Smith  
Ada Township Clerk

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Date