

HUMBOLDT TOWNSHIP
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Regular Meeting
Monday, September 12, 2022 – 7:00 PM

1. Supervisor Ogea called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
 - MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeff Ogea, Betty Grund, Sarah Etelamaki, Pete Koski, Chris Grund
 - MEMBERS ABSENT:** None
 - STAFF PRESENT:** Jim Kippola
 - STAFF ABSENT:** Dylan Jurasin, Steve Bartanen
 - PUBLIC PRESENT:** Jim Brennan, Robert Flynn
4. Approval of Agenda
 - MOTION: To approve the agenda.**
 - Pete Koski, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
5. Approval of Minutes
 - MOTION: To approve the August 8, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes & the August 24, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes**
 - Betty Grund, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
6. Approval of Treasurer's Report:
 - MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Total Assets are as follows:**

General Fund: \$1,947,003.02	Road Fund: \$447,051.50
Sanitation Fund: \$535,663.60	Rail Fund: \$401,987.10
Fire/EMS Fund: \$333,409.55	Trust & Agency Fund: \$7,399.02

 - Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
7. Approval of Bills:
 - MOTION: To accept the bills as written.**
 - Betty Grund, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.**
8. Reports
 - a. **BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Jeff Ogea went to the West End EMS meeting. Pete Koski attended the FD meeting. Sarah Etelamaki attended the PC meeting.
 - b. **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:** Chairman Kippola gave a summary report of the last PC meeting. Full minutes are on file.
 - c. **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** No one to report.
 - d. **ASSESOR REPORT:** No one to report.
9. Correspondence
 - a. PC August Meeting Minutes
 - b. Email from Ely Township Supervisor Re: EMS Authority
10. Public Comment: None
11. Old Business:

- a. **Cemetery Fence:** Still waiting on a quote. Mike Lempanen is interested in working on the cemetery signage.
- b. **Water Filtration Quotes for Fire Hall:** Supervisor Ogea went over the information he had between the 2 systems. Discussion took place on the pros and cons of each.

MOTION: To go with Swick for Water Filtration at the Fire Hall.

Pete Koski, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

12. New Business:

- a. **Jim Brennan, Republic Supervisor-Garbage Agreement:** Jim discussed how there are some Republic residents that live close to the Humboldt garbage sheds and would like access to use them. He proposed that for May-October Republic would pay Humboldt for use of the sheds to offset the increased tipping fees. He will draw up a contract for the Board to review in November.

- b. **Warming Shed Purchase:** The Board discussed the options for a warming shed for the ice rink.

MOTION: To purchase the shed from Lowe's for a warming shack.

Pete Koski, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

- c. **MCRC Annual HMA Paving Program:** The Board reviewed a potential list of roads that may go on the 2023 paving schedule. The list is requested by the Road Commission with a due date of October 1st.

MOTION: To approve the list of road for 2023 paving and send to the PC for approval.

Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

- d. **Schedule of Fees Review:** The Board reviewed the schedule of fees and discussed the rates. Some of the fees need to be raised due to the rising costs of advertising and to make sure the Township isn't losing money.

MOTION: To amend the fee schedule for the Township according to the resolution.

Pete Koski, Moved; Chris Grund, Supported;

Roll Call Vote: Pete Koski, Aye Chris Grund, Aye Jeff Ogea, Aye

Sarah Etelamaki, Aye Betty Grund, Aye

5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

- e. **Sanitation Millage Levy for 2022:** The Sanitation millage renewal passed in August for the next 3 years at 1.5 mills. Because of a surplus in the sanitation account, the Board discussed levying less for one year to give the tax payers a break. It will be reviewed next year with the possibility of raising it back up to the voter approved 1.5 mills.

MOTION: To levy 0.5 mills for Sanitation for the next tax season.

Sarah Etelamai, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

- f. **PC Application:** An application was received to fill the PC vacancy. Because of a current zoning request from the applicant, the application process is being tabled.

- g. **Christmas Party:** The Christmas Party date is set for December 10th from 1-3pm. The Board also discussed the budget and decided to raise it due to increasing costs of everything.

MOTION: To approve the Christmas party budget for \$400.00

Jeff Ogea, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

13. Public Comment: None

14. Board Member Comments: Chris Grund stated the lights in the office need repair. Sarah Etelamaki gave a quick update on the baseball field.

15. Adjournment:

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:30:pm.

Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent; Motion Carried.

Sarah Etelamaki, Clerk