

TENTATIVE (pending approval November 2, 2023)

Riley Township

October 5, 2023,

7:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Potts at 7:00 PM. Board members present Feldpausch, Lawless, Martens and Powell. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Powell, support by Lawless to approve the agenda with additions of Briggs Annual Library report, review of audit findings, and adoption of the solid waste plan. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion by Feldpausch, support by Martens to approve September 2023 minutes. Motion carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Treasurer's report presented showing balances of:

Special Project Fund \$253880.50

General Fund Checking \$85,246.51

Road and Bridge Fund \$55,595.46

ARPA Designated Fund \$132,710.29

Cemetery \$3810.47

TOTAL \$531,243.23

Motion by Powell, support by Lawless to approve treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

NONE

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:**

**County Commissioner Ken Mitchell** – the state is looking at required inspections on septic systems, being proposed at every 5-year interval. There are concerns among residents, health departments that do not have adequate staff; feel free to contact your state representatives to provide input on the matter to help guide decision making. The state is also looking at assuming authority for zoning over solar and wind energy sources, which will be overseen by a three-person appointed board. He attended an economic outlook session sponsored by MSU. The meeting for the ORV ordinance is coming up on October 31st. Security at the courthouse is going to be updated so that everyone must be screened through the detector system prior to conducting business in the courthouse.

**DAESA Chair Kevin Garvey**- there were many runs, 11 for Riley. At the last meeting they discussed Captain Powells retirement and promoted Lt Kyle Hansbarger to Captain. The chief attended two educational conferences. They amended the payroll policy to be twice monthly over the current once per month. The command car will need being replaced in the future due to the mileage/hours on the vehicle. As always, Kevin expressed his thanks for the volunteers for the work that they do. The next fire authority meeting will be held at the Riley Township Hall.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The township received a substantial compliant rating for the 2023 assessment roll and practices audit.

Motion by Powell, support by Martens. Roll call vote all yes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion by Powell, support by Feldpausch to adopt a resolution approving the amendment to Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan. Open discussion occurred with a representative from Granger on what the next steps of the process would be under the new solid waste rules within the State of Michigan. Roll call vote all yes, motion carried.

**Annual Library Report –**

Sara provided some resources for current library programming and coming events. There is now an app that allows you to access your library account and see what you have out, reserve materials, receive notices or receive text alerts. They have changed their process for fines. Overdrive is an app that you can use to access audio books that brings sharing of resources across many libraries across the state, bringing more selections and better access to audibles. You can access Consumer Reports online through the library for free. Liz comes to the hall the fourth Tuesday of the month and bring books and an activity. She will even bring her items you would like to check out while she is at the hall. The library moved into the current space in 1998. They are planning to move the children's area into the warehouse space that is presently storage and add a 60-person meeting space. The entrance will move for safety reasons as there are icing issues with the way the roof line and porch are presently. There is a silent auction coming up as a fundraiser for the building project.

**Review of audit findings –**

A full copy will be provided to the board in the coming weeks, verbally they provided no concerns with finances and a draft copy of the report. Logistically they did ask that we attach check stubs to the associated invoices and recommended that if a board member abstain from voting for a potential conflict of interest that they should also abstain from any associated contracts or documents that pertain to that business.

The next CCOA meeting will be held in November at the CCRC.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Motion by Feldpausch, support by Martens to approve bills dated October 5, 2023. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion by Martens, support by Feldpausch to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting closed at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully,  
Lisa Powell, Clerk