

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON September 14, 2023
TOWNSHIP OF FOREST – LISA MARGRIF – CLERK**

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Supervisor Price. Board members present were: Supervisor, Mary Ann Price; Clerk, Lisa Margrif; Treasurer, Linda Smoke; Trustees: Mark Martin and Al Sorge.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Margrif, to accept the agenda for the September 14, 2023 meeting as presented. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Smoke, seconded by Sorge, to accept the minutes from the regular meeting held August 10 and special minutes held on August 17. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded by Margrif, to accept the Treasurers reports for general, fire, garbage and as fire loss withholding escrow fund presented. Roll call vote: Martin, yes; Smoke, yes; Sorge, yes; Price, yes; Margrif, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Smoke, to accept the bills submitted for September, 2023 payment, General Fund - checks numbered 24561 through 24610 Fire Assessment - checks numbered 14008 through 14024, Garbage Assessment - check number 9142. Roll call vote: Smoke, yes; Margrif, yes; Price, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Supervisor talked about replacement of bay 4 door opener at fire hall that insurance covered.

Motion by Margrif, seconded by Smoke, to accept the resignation of Taylor Campbell from the Forest Township Fire department, effective 08/25/2023. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded by Margrif, to accept Howard Nitz as a new fire fighter and is on probation till he passes his drug test, physical and fire academy 1 & 2 and will be paid minimum wage \$10.10. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded by Smoke, to adopt a resolution to apply for the risk reduction grant through Michigan township par plan for back up cameras for fire department. Roll call vote: Sorge, yes; Price, yes; Margrif, yes; Martin, yes; Smoke, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded by Margrif, to adopt a resolution to accept the 5-year parks, recreation, open space greenways plan as presented. Roll call vote: Price, yes; Smoke, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes; Margrif, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Supervisor Price closed regular meeting at 6:30p.m. and Opened Special Assessment meeting at 6:30p.m. The Township Board took comments from the public.

There were a few public comments about the special assessment.

Supervisor Price closed the Special Assessment meeting at 6:50p.m. and opened up the regular meeting at 6:50p.m.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Smoke, to adopt a resolution to set the Fire Special Assessment at \$100.00 per improved per parcel and \$60.00 per unimproved per parcel the Garbage at \$180.00 per kitchen unit. Roll call vote: Margrif, yes; Martin, yes; Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Sorge, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Smoke, seconded by Margrif, to adopt a resolution to waive interest and penalty associated with not filed property transfer affidavits as presented. Roll call vote: Sorge, yes; Martin, yes; Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Margrif, yes. All yes, motion carried

Motion by Smoke, seconded by Margrif, to adopt a resolution to revised agreement from the Genesee County Road commission for the Willard Road project for the Gibbs drain project for \$143,982.21 using ARPA money. Roll call vote: Price, yes; Margrif, yes; Smoke, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded by Sorge, to allow the Forest Township offices to close at 1:00p.m. October 6th,2023 for the homecoming parade. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Smoke, to allow the Fire Department to do the explorer program and to allow use of their Fire Hall and gear. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Margrif, seconded by Martin, to adopt a resolution establishing early voting precinct as presented. Roll call vote: Sorge, yes; Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Martin, yes; Margrif, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Supervisor Price adjourned the meeting at 7:29 P.M.

Submitted by Lisa Margrif – Clerk