

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON December 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 Al Sorge and Trustee Mark Martin.

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

Motion by Sorge, seconded by Smoke, to accept minutes from the regular meeting held November 9, 2023 as presented and special meeting minutes from November 21, 2023 as presented. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Sorge, to accept all 4 Treasurers reports for general, fire, garbage and fire loss withholding escrow fund as presented. Roll call vote: Martin, yes; Sorge, yes; Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Margrif, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Smoke, to accept the bills submitted for December, 2023 payment, General Fund - checks numbered 24690 through 24752; Fire Assessment - checks numbered 14049 through 14079; Garbage Assessment - check number 9145. Roll call vote: Margrif, yes; Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Sorge, to adopt a resolution to accept the bid of \$36,163.00 from Performance construction for new metal roof on fire department building which includes snow guard shield. Roll call vote: Price, yes; Smoke, yes; Martin, yes; Sorge, yes; Margrif, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Smoke, to adopt a resolution to accept the bid from Ryckman contracting to put two new urinals and a backsplash up and not to exceed \$2,800.00 at the fire department hall. Roll call vote: Margrif, yes; Sorge, yes; Smoke, yes; Martin, yes; Price, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Gym membership for fire fighters tabled next month's board meeting.

Motion by Price, seconded by Smoke, to adopt a resolution to, accept the liability Insurance renewal for all properties owned by the Township at a price of \$25,782.40 from Decker Agency plus \$500,000 cyber coverage for \$1,389. Roll call vote: Sorge, yes; Smoke, yes; Martin, yes; Price, yes; Margrif, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Margrif, to renew the lease with the forest aviators for another five years beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2029. Roll call vote: Price, yes; Martin, yes; Margrif, yes; Smoke, yes; Sorge, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded by Sorge, to accept the 2024 property exemption guideline along with the assets not to exceed 15% of the applicable income level. Roll call vote: Smoke, yes; Margrif, yes; Price, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Tribunal settlement for 09-85-036-009 taken off agenda.

Motion by Price, seconded by Smoke, to accept the 2024 Holiday Calendar as presented. All yes, motion carried.

Camera estimates tabled till get a quote for one camera.

Motion by Smoke, seconded by Margrif, to adopt a resolution to allow a small bench to be placed out to cemetery on Rockwood graves as long as sexton agrees. All yes, motion carried.

Planning commission 2023 recap discussed by the board.

Supervisor Price adjourned the meeting at 7:09 P.M.

Submitted by Lisa Margrif - Clerk