PENTWATER TOWNSHIP BOARD PENTWATER COMMUNITY HALL

500 N. HANCOCK STREET, PENTWATER, MI 49449

Approved Minutes

Regular Meeting of Wednesday, March 8, 2023

&

Public Hearing on Proposed 2023/2024 Budgets

ZOOM Available for Audience

Supervisor Cavazos called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Members Present: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos ROLL CALL

Members Absent: Holub, Murphy

Staff Present: Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator & Deputy Supervisor; Glenn Beavis, Deputy Clerk & Recording Secretary

Others Present: Albert Brosky; Ron Christians; Jean Russell; Dean

Gustafson; Steve Bishop, Fleis & Vandenbrink

Present via Zoom: Maureen Murphy, Dean Holub, Amy LaBarge, Bill

Gigowski

Moved by Douglas seconded by Flynn to accept the consent agenda as follows:

- Prior Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2023 & February 21
- Correspondence: None
- Financial Reports 4/1/22 thru 2/28/23
- Claims/Bills for the period February 10 March 9 as follows:
 - Township \$29,428
 - Cemetery \$3,134
 - o Fire \$2,215
 - o Road \$0

Roll call vote:

YES: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos

NO: None Motion carries.

Supervisor Cavazos presented the Regular Meeting Agenda.

Moved by Flynn seconded by Douglas to accept the agenda as presented with exception of moving New Business agenda items "O" &

"P" to the beginning of New Business. Voice vote. All Ayes. Motion

CONSENT AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Review & Action

MEETING AGENDA

Review & Action

carries.	
None	PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS
The Regular Meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Cavazos at 6:05 PM	ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING
The Public Hearing on the Proposed 2023/24 Budget was opened by Supervisor Cavazos at 6:06 PM.	OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY2023/24 BUDGET
Members Present: Flynn, Douglas, and Cavazos	ROLL CALL
Members Absent: Holub, Murphy	
Staff Present: Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator & Deputy Supervisor; Glenn Beavis, Deputy Clerk & Recording Secretary	
Others Present: Albert Brosky; Ron Christians; Jean Russell; Dean Gustafson; Steve Bishop, Fleis & Vandenbrink	
Present via Zoom: Maureen Murphy, Dean Holub, Amy LaBarge, Bill Gigowski	
Supervisor Cavazos presented the tentative 2023/24 Budgets for the General Fund, Road Fund, Fire Department Fund, Cemetery Fund, ARPA Fund, and Sewer Fund in the amounts of \$556,901, \$128,345, \$445,568 \$119,586, \$67,017, and \$253,500 respectively. The Township wages reflect an increase of 5.0%.	
Supervisor Cavazos also noted the following:	FUND, and SEWER FUND
 The current year General Fund budget includes a "Sewer Utilities" department. This department has been deleted from the proposed FY 2023/24 budget and instead are set up as a stand-alone enterprise fund (see below) 	
 The Road Fund budget includes \$6,200 that will be transferred in from the General Fund to support the planned road improvements 	
 The Fire Department budget was set by their board & is taking no wage increase for this fiscal year 	
 The Cemetery Fund budget includes monies to address rust in water 	
 ARPA Fund budgeted monies will likely be used in support of the 	

newly acquired sewer systems	
The Sewer Fund budget includes an estimate for anticipated monies that will be transferred in from the Village to the Township.	
None	PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PROPOSED BUDGETS 2023/24
The Public Hearing on the Proposed 2022/23 Budget was adjourned by Supervisor Cavazos at 6:24 PM.	ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING
The Regular Meeting of the Township Board reconvened at 6:25 PM and Supervisor Cavazos called the Meeting to Order.	RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING & CALL TO ORDER
Members Present: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos	ROLL CALL
Members Absent: Holub, Murphy Staff Present: Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator & Deputy Supervisor; Glenn Beavis, Deputy Clerk & Recording Secretary	
Others Present: Albert Brosky; Ron Christians; Jean Russell; Dean Gustafson; Steve Bishop, Fleis & Vandenbrink Present via Zoom: Maureen Murphy, Dean Holub, Amy LaBarge, Bill Gigowski	
Supervisor Cavazos reported: 1. March 8, 2023 is International Women's Day! We would like to recognize the many contributions and achievements of women around the world.	SUPERVISOR'S REPORT
Explanation of Resolution requested by the Protect the Pentwater, Channel Committee	
The Pentwater Township Board has been asked to approve a resolution in favor of the Pentwater Lake Improvement Board (PLIB) including dredging in their next 5-years plan that will begin in 2024 and possible funding options.	
The Township Board is waiting to hear from the County Drain Commissioner's legal counsel before taking action on this request for a resolution.	
3. Friends of the Pentwater Cemetery:	

 A. new opportunity is available to be a volunteer and supporter of the Pentwater Township Cemetery. Flyers are available to anyone interested in becoming involved. 	
The first organization meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11,2023 at 6:00 PM at the Centenary Methodist Church in Pentwater.	
4. This spring we will be moving forward with completing the lining of the Township parking lot, landscaping around the building, and needed repairs to the front entrance deck.	
Clerk Murphy was out ill and did not prepare a report.	CLERK'S REPORT
Treasurer Douglas report was received and placed on file. She continued to express pleasure at earned interest in all Michigan Class accounts – 4.75%. She and her deputy are looking forward to BS&A sewer billing training that is coming up at the end of the month.	TREASURER'S REPORT
The Fire Department Report, Library Report and Recreation Report were all received and placed on file.	OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS Library, Recreation and Fire Department
The Zoning and Assessing Reports were received and placed on file. The Board of Review organizational meeting was held on March 7 in preparation for BoR meetings scheduled for March 14 th (3:00PM – 9:00PM)and March 16th (9:00AM- 3:00PM).	STAFF REPORTS – Zoning, Assessing, Cemetery, Transfer Station
There were no reports for the Cemetery and Transfer Station as they are closed until April.	
Note: By direction of The Board, NEW BUSINESS "O" & "P" were addressed in advance of all other new business. (See below).	NEW BUSINESS – O & P Fleis & Vandenberg Professional Services Agreement & Engineering Services Proposal
Moved by Cavazos and seconded by Douglas to authorize the Township Supervisor to execute a Professional Service Agreement with Fleis & Vandenbrink (F&V).	NEW BUSINESS - O Professional Services Agreement for Township Engineer – Fleis &
Steve Bishop, F&V Project Manager will be our primary point of contact, and Danelle Smith will be our alternate point of contact. The contract consists of a three-year term commencing March 9, 2023 through March 31, 2026.	Vandenbrink
Roll call vote:	

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YES: Cavazos, Douglas, Flynn	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Flynn and seconded by Douglas to authorize the Township Supervisor to approve the proposal and execute an agreement with Fleis and Vandenbrink to evaluate Township North and Township South Sanitary Sewer Systems.	NEW BUSINESS - P Fleis & Vandenbrink Engineering Proposal to Evaluate Condition of "Township North" & "Township South" Sanitary
Deputy Supervisor Edwards also requested that \$5,200 be transferred from current fiscal year's Dept 527 Sewer Utilities "Repair/Maintenance" budgeted activity to "Contract Services" budgeted activity within the same department. No action was taken on this request during the meeting. (Note: In a post-meeting discussion between Edwards & Beavis it became clear that the anticipated contract service expenditures will not come in until after the end of the current fiscal year, so implementation of this request would serve no purpose. However, what does seem to deserve consideration is to amend the just approved FY2023-24 budget to transfer funds from the General Fund to the newly created Sewer Fund. This will be discussed further between all parties involved)	Sewer Systems
Roll call vote: YES: Flynn, Douglas, Cavazos NO: None Motion carries	
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to approve Resolution No. 2023-04 adopting FY 2023/24 budgets as follows:	NEW BUSINESS - A Review & Action
General Fund: \$556,901	Resolution #2023-04 Adoption of FY 2023/24
Cemetery Fund: \$119,586	General Fund, Cemetery
• Fire Department Fund: \$445,568	Fund, Fire Department Fund, Road Fund, ARPA
 Road Fund: \$128,345 	Fund, and Sewer Fund
ARPA Fund: \$67,017	Budgets
• Sewer Fund: \$253,500	
Roll call vote: YES: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos NO: None	

Motion carries	
Moved by Flynn and seconded by Douglas to approve Resolution No. 2023-05 adoption of Annual Salary and Per Diem Schedule for FY 2022/23 which reflects a 5.0% increase.	NEW BUSINESS - B Review & Action Resolution #2023-05 Adoption of Annual
Roll call vote: YES: Flynn, Douglas, Cavazos NO: None	Salary/Per Diem Schedule
Motion carries	
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to approve Resolution No. 2023-06 designating bank depositories for Pentwater Township Funds for FY 2023/24 after removing 5 th /3 rd & Westshore banks from the list (no longer being used).	NEW BUSINESS - C Review & Action Resolution #2023-06 Pentwater Township Depositories
Roll call vote: YES: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Cavazos and seconded by Douglas to approve Resolution No 2023-07 regarding authorization to buy and sell property during FY 2023/24. Roll call vote:	Review & Action Resolution #2023-07 Authorization to Buy and Sell
YES: Cavazos, Douglas, Flynn NO: None Motion carries	
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to approve Resolution No. 2023-08 adopting the FY 2023/24 Wage and Salary Schedule for Non-Elected Personnel which represents a 5.0% increase. Roll call vote: YES: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos NO: None Motion carries	NEW BUSINESS - E Review & Action Resolution #2023-08 Wages & Salaries for Non-Elected Personnel
Moved by Cavazos and seconded by Flynn to approve Resolution No. 2023-09 directing Treasurer Douglas to transfer \$25,000 into the Fund Balance Policy savings account. It is up to the Treasurer's discretion which savings account(s) these monies will come from.	NEW BUSINESS - F Resolution #2023-09 Fund Balance Policy Savings Account Balance Increase
Roll call vote:	

YES: Cavazos, Flynn, Douglas	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Flynn and seconded by Douglas to make the following Township Board Committee appointments: Heather Douglas, Treasurer – Township Planning Commission Mike Flynn, Trustee – Township Zoning Board of Appeals Lynne Cavazos, Supervisor – Pentwater Lake Improvement Board Dean Holub, Trustee – Road Committee	NEW BUSINESS - G Review & Action Township Board Committee Appointments for 2023/24
Roll call vote:	
YES: Flynn, Douglas, Cavazos	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to make the following	NEW BUSINESS - H
Township Staff appointments (annual appointment):	Review & Action
Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator & Ordinance Enforcement	Township Staff
Officer	Appointments for
Robert Miller, Township Transfer Site Attendant	2023/24
Rob Lynn, Cemetery Sexton helper	
Chris Bailey, Cemetery Sexton	
Barbie Eaton, Township Assessor	
Roll call vote:	
YES: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Flynn and seconded by Douglas to appoint Mika Meyers	NEW BUSINESS - I
PLC as the Township Attorneys.	Review & Action
	Township Attorney
Roll call vote:	Appointment for 2023/24
YES: Flynn, Douglas, Cavazos	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to reappoint John (Buz)	NEW BUSINESS - J
Graettinger Jr. and Paula DeGregorio to the Township Planning	Reappointment to
Commission commencing April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2026	Planning Commission
Voice vote. Motion carried.	
Planning Commission Members (3 year term):	
John Graettinger – Expires 3/31/23	
Paula DeGregorio – Expires 3/31/23	
Pat Hooyman – Expires 3/31/24	

Terry Cluchey – Expires 3/31/24	
Peter Zangara – Expires 5/31/25	
Tony Monton – Expires 5/31/25	
Heather Douglas – Annual by Board Appointment	
Moved by Cavazos and seconded by Douglas to reappoint Jean Russel	NEW BUSINESS - K
to the Pentwater Township Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) for another	Reappointment to
three year term expiring March 31, 2026.	Zoning Board of Appeals
Roll call vote:	
YES: Cavazos, Douglas, Murphy, Flynn	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Zoning Board of Appeals Members (3 year term):	
Terry Cluchey – Annual by Planning Commission	
Mike Flynn – Annual by Board Appointment	
Randy Hepworth – Expires 3/31/24	
Jean Russell – Expires 3/31/23	
Mark Trierweiler – Expires 8/10/25	
Jeff Wrisley – Expires 5/11/25	
Moved by Flynn and seconded by Douglas to reappoint John Faas,	NEW BUSINESS - L
Tom Hicks, Pat Hooyman, and Tim Cole to the Pentwater Township	Reappointment to
Road Committee for another three year term expiring March 31, 2026.	1
Road Committee for another timee year term expiring march 31, 2020.	Road Committee
Roll call vote:	
YES: Flynn, Douglas, Cavazos	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Road Committee Members (3 year term):	
John Faas – Expires 3/31/23	
Tom Hicks – Expires 3/31/23	
Pat Hooyman - Expires 3/31/23	
Tim Cole - Expires 3/31/23	
Dean Holub – Annual by Board Appointment	
Moved by Cavazos and seconded by Flynn to approve the bid from	NEW BUSINESS - M
Michigan Chloride Sales for brining of unpaved roads in Pentwater	2023 Road Brining
Township for the 2023/24. Said bid is for two applications of 19% -	
21% Calcium Chloride per gallon at 2,500 gallons per mile for 10.4	
miles of Township roads.	
Roll call vote:	
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YES: Cavazos, Flynn, Douglas	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to authorize the Supervisor to execute the 2023 Manistee, Mason, and Oceana Counties Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program Contract in the amount of \$500. Said payment will be made payable to the Mason-Lake Conservation District, which serves as the fiduciary for the HHW Program.	NEW BUSINESS - N Household Hazardous Waste Program
Roll call vote:	
YES: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to direct Supervisor	UNFINISHED BUSINESS - A
Cavazos & Clerk Murphy to renew Access Agreement in the amount of	Access Agreement for Park
\$7,500 for use of Park Place Community Building by Township	Place Community Building
Residents.	
Roll call vote: Douglas, Flynn, Cavazos YES:	
NO: None	
Motion carries	
None	PUBLIC COMMENTS
None	OTHER ITEMS from BOARD MEMBERS
Moved by Douglas and seconded by Flynn to adjourn the meeting 7:16 PM. Motion carried.	ADJOURNMENT
	Prepared by Deputy Clerk Glenn Beavis
Maureen Murphy, Township Clerk Date	