

November 2, 2022

**Empire Township Board
Regular Meeting**

Supervisor Carl Noonan called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. Present were members Price and Neiswonger. Absent: Deegan and Casey Noonan. Motion-Price; support-Carl Noonan to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022 regular meeting as written. All ayes.

Cemetery Report: Annual report from Manager Fields was reviewed by the Board.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Price reported on CDs and bank accounts as of 10-31-2022. Report received as read.

Planning & Zoning Report: 1.) Zoning Administrator, Tim Cypher, issued the following permits/approvals in October: 1) New dwelling-Crimson Way 2) Garage-Songbird Ln. 3) New dwelling-Fredrickson Rd. 4) New dwelling-Fleetwood Ct. 5) Square footage change-Bow Rd.

Supervisor Report: 1.) Board reviewed a more complete and cleaned up Special Event application for the 2023 Roy Taghon Memorial Snowmobile races at the airport. Motion was made by Carl Noonan; support-Price to approve the 2023 Roy Taghon Snowmobile Race Special Event application contingent on the following conditions: 1) Township receives copy of insurance coverage for the race. 2) Township receives the Leelanau County Emergency Management's approval of the race. 3) The Empire Business Association, in a timely manner before the spring opening of the airport, repairs/levels all damages to any sod areas, and pays for any damages to the runway lights, markers and in general any damage to the airport property. 4) If repairs and/or payments are not received before the airport's spring opening, the Empire Business Association will be billed for all repairs, replacement, and needed maintenance to airport property due to race damage. All ayes. 2.) Motion was made by Neiswonger; support-Carl Noonan to amend the Special Event application #3. to include the Benzie/Leelanau County Health Department as an agency whose approval may be required for a Special Event and require a township official signed copy of the Special Event application with any conditions be forwarded to the Leelanau County Management Director. All ayes.

Clerk Report: 1.) Township Board was invited to a 12-8-22 meeting to hear a presentation of the Empire Village's S. Bar water study. 2.) Motion-Price; support-Carl Noonan to pay the November 2022 monthly bills as presented and attached. All ayes.

All business being concluded the meeting was adjourned by the Supervisor at 8:19 p.m.

Christine M. Neiswonger, Clerk