**TORCH LAKE TOWNSHIP**

**ANTRIM COUNTY MICHIGAN**

APPROVED MINUTES OF TORCH LAKE TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TORCH LAKE TOWNSHIP ELECTORS WITH CORRECTIONS. PASSED 39-0

March 16, 2021

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Present: Bob Cook, K. Windiate, S. Schultz, J. Merchant, A. Martel

Absent: None

Audience: 15

A. Annual Meeting

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm

2. Bob Cook motion to waive the reading of the March 17th meeting. M/S: B. Cook/J. Merchant. Passed 17-0. Discussion: S. Schultz asked to have parenthesis located in discussion of last year’s Minutes approval. Motion to Approve Minutes with correction by B. Cook/Seconded by S. Schultz. No discussion. Passed 17-0.

3. Motion to Approve Resolution #2021-12 Establish Township Supervisor Salary for 2021/2022 FY at $28,840. M/S: Dave Barr/Jim MEINKE . No discussion. Passed 17-0.

Motion to Approve Resolution #2021-13 Establish Clerk Salary for FY 2021/2022 FY at $26,480. M/S Jim MEINKE /Barbara Young. Jill Spencer asks for clarification of salary increase to Clerk’s salary. B. Cook clarified increase of 5.2% based on K. Windiate statements made at the Township Board meeting on January 20, 2021. Increase is to the position and not the individual. Windiate was elected to the position. Clifford Falls asks if there are any metrics to guide increases. No per Bob Cook. Antrim County’s increases have been set as the precedent to increase at 3%. Motion passes 10-6 with one abstention.

Motion to Approve Resolution #2021-14 Establish Treasurer Salary for the 2021/2022 FY at $28,840. M/S Bob Cook/Bill Petersen. No discussion. Motion passes 17-0.

4. Testimony and comments from citizens – Bob Spencer asks to reflect on refreshments that were historically available. Sharon Schultz would like to thank Bob Cook for his extensive work on the Budget.

5. State of the Township by Bob Cook: ALS process is Complete. Road Work projects competed as well as those projected were reviewed noting mileage funding will be ending. COVID impacts on Township and processes were reviewed. The Election with record high turnout and increased security processes were handled extremely well by the Chair and workers. The initiatives such as the Scanning project, Township Policies project. Mr. Cook spoke to many Township initiatives such as the Scanning Project, Township Policies Review and ongoing Planning Commission work. He thanked the community for willingness to get involved and highlighted website for streamlined information. Day Park has seen increased expenses related to increase in attendance/visitation which may result in a need to establish a special fund. Bob Cook would like to thank Sharon Schultz for her assistance in transition to new role as Township Supervisor.

6. Public Comment – Sharon Schultz stated Petoskey Stone Festival will be held Memorial Weekend at Barnes Park. Sharon Schultz would like to thank Barbara (Babs) Young donation of her professional photos for Township Conference room.

7. Bob Cook motion to adjourn. Bob Spencer seconded. Passed 17-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Veronica Beitner,

Township Recording Secretary