

The Southside Township annual meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 by Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. The following people were present: Jim Hallstrom, Tim Hable, Dale Machovsky, AFD Horacio Torres Jr, AFD, Kenneth Laney SHFD, Dana Kjaer, SHFD, and David Burd.

Clerk Merrill led the pledge of allegiance.

Jim Hallstrom made a motion to appoint David Burd as moderator. Tim Hable seconded the motion. No other nominations were heard a unanimous ballot was cast to appoint David Burd as moderator.

Tim Hable made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2020 Annual meeting. Jim Hallstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk Merrill presented the 2020 treasurer's report. Current fund balance for all funds is \$841,658. General fund receipts were under disbursements for 2020 by \$6,349 – with a fund balance of \$238,321. The road and bridge fund had \$416,293 disbursements for 2020 which was \$58,609 over budget. This was due to the engineering and feasibility study for 62nd ST NW, work on Pittman Ave NW and snow removal costs for the year. Road and Bridge fund receipts total \$357,684 The Fire fund was right on as assessments come in for the two fire departments as levied and are dispersed for the contracts. The township did receive \$39,050 for Cares Funds and used it to purchase computer and video equipment, election equipment and PPE supplies, a new ramp and deck for the back door of the town hall so the election traffic could exit the back of the building. Jim Hallstrom made a motion to approve the treasurers report for 2020 with a second by Tim Hable. Motion carried.

Dale Machovsky reported the Annandale Fire Department has a roster of 25 members. All equipment is in good shape. The new firehall was paid off in 2020. They are looking at purchasing a rescue vehicle in 2021. They had 280 calls for 2020 with 41 calls in Southside Township. The average response time was 9 minutes and 8 seconds. Response time to calls in Southside Township was 9 minutes 41 seconds. They are asking for \$44,712 for 2022 which is the same as 2022.

Kenneth Laney of the South Haven Fire Department reported their department had 163 total calls for 2020. 39 of the calls were in Southside Township. They currently have 28 members with 5 new members this year. Their equipment is in good shape. They are requesting \$47,863 for 2022 which is the same as 2022.

David Burd thanked both departments for the phenomenal job they do and the time they sacrifice away from their family to protect our township.

Clerk/Treasurer Merrill presented the 2022 budget and levy request. The general fund levy request is \$132,819 which is an increase of approximately \$20,000 for 2022. The major difference in expenses comes for elections. With the 2020 election still being debated Clerk Merrill stated she included extra in the budget to help cover costs of new legislation regarding election administration. The road and bridge fund levy request is \$394,850. This is an increase of \$57,000. The increase is for a couple of road projects planned for the coming year including overlays, seal coating and chip seals. Kenneth Laney made a motion to approve the following levy for 2022: General Fund \$132,819.00 Road and Bridge Fund

\$94,850.00 Annandale Fire Assessment \$44,712 and \$47,863 for South Haven Fire Assessment. Jim Hallstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Supervisor Jim Hallstrom reported the township is working on addressing a couple of roads in the township that have continuing water runoff issues. The township is working with CRWD on 109th St NW to come up with a solution. CRWD is donating engineering and funds and is looking for possible grants. The Township would like to do a chip seal this year as the last two are holding up very well. Supervisor Tim Hable reported the township just ordered two radar signs that will be placed on Quinn Ave NW to help slow cars down. If it works, the township may purchase a few more for areas where speed is an issue. Tim stated he is on the Annandale Fire commission and is extremely impressed with the organization. He likes their budgeting skills and the way they plan for replacing equipment.

David Burd asked the township for a donation for Annandale Youth First for 2022. The organization is a nonprofit group that works to on asset building in youth by providing positive environments and experiences for youth through mentorship programs including Cardinal Buddies, After the Bell and Eastview Camp. Tim Hable made a motion to donate \$1500 to Annandale Youth First for 2022. Dana Kjaer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim Hallstrom made a motion to set the 2022 Annual Meeting for Tuesday, March 8,2022 at Southside Town Hall at 8:00 p.m. Tim Hable seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dana Kjaer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried.