

**NEW BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING HELD VIA ZOOM
FEBRUARY 16, 2021 4:00 P.M.
17425 Red Arrow Hwy. New Buffalo, MI 49117**

1. ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call: Heit, Iazzetto, Rahm, Rogers, & Zabicki

All present and attending from their homes or offices in New Buffalo Township.

Pledge of Allegiance

2. ITEMS TOO LATE FOR PRINTED AGENDA - none

3. APPROVE AGENDA

Rogers moved, Iazzetto seconded to approve the agenda.

Heit	Yes
Iazzetto	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes
Zabicki	Yes

Motion Carried

4. PUBLIC HEARING ON PUBLIC SAFETY SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Rahm moved, Rogers seconded to open the public hearing on the Public Safety Special Assessment at 4:02 p.m.

Heit	Yes
Iazzetto	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes
Zabicki	Yes

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PUBLIC SAFETY SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Public comments on the special assessment were received by the Board and are attached to these minutes.

Rahm moved, Iazzetto seconded to close the public hearing on the Public Safety Special Assessment at 6:34 p.m.

Heit	Yes
Iazzetto	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes
Zabicki	Yes

Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS were received by the Board.

6. REPORTS were presented to the Board.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Rogers moved, Heit seconded to approve items on the consent agenda:

Minutes of the January 19, 2021 Meeting

Treasurer's Report

Bills

1. General \$20,910.18
2. Building \$8,898.75
3. Sewer & Water \$59,542.24
4. Park Millage \$5,210.18
5. Public Safety Millage \$841,350.19
6. LRSB Discretionary \$68,212.59
7. Marina \$10,828.19
8. Payroll \$54,760.74

Approve Kruger/Glassman Road bond payments in the amount of \$8,172.49.

Approve final payment to Rosenbauer for \$396,526 for the new fire truck, payable upon delivery.

Approve 2 days of off-site training in Kalamazoo for two firefighters for a cost of \$300 each, plus hotel costs.

Approve a 3% rate increase for sewer ready to serve and sewer usage charges, due to an increase from the GRSD.

Accept the estimate from Dwan Services LLC for \$36,000 for floor coatings at the new Public Safety Building.

Accept the proposal from Adams Remco for \$4,475 for a Toshiba copy machine for the new Public Safety Building.

Approve payment to Landscape Forms for \$21,296.50 for outside furniture for the Union Pier project.

Heit	Yes
lazzetto	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes
Zabicki	Yes

Motion Carried

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Public Safety Special Assessment District Resolution #4

Rahm resolved, Zabicki seconded to approve Resolution #4 for the Public Safety Special Assessment District.

Heit	Yes
lazzetto	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes
Zabicki	Yes

Resolution Adopted

b. Payment #3 Public Safety Building Project

Rogers moved, Zabicki seconded to approve Payment #3 for the Public Safety Building Project in the amount of \$350,240.88.

Heit Yes
lazzetto Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes
Zabicki Yes

Motion Carried

c. Resolution to Set an Alternate Date for the March Board of Review

Heit moved, lazzetto seconded to approve the Resolution to Set an Alternate Date for the March Board of Review First Taxpayer Appeal Meeting 2021.

Heit Yes
lazzetto Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes
Zabicki Yes

Resolution Adopted

d. Resolution to Allow Extension of Poverty Exemption through 2023 Tax Year

Rogers moved, Heit seconded to approve the Resolution to Allow Extension of Poverty Exemption through 2023 Tax Year.

Heit Yes
lazzetto Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes
Zabicki Yes

Resolution Adopted

e. Marquette Greenway – Amtrak Land Lease

Zabicki moved, lazzetto seconded to approve the proposal from Cushman & Wakefield for \$9,750 for appraisal services related to the Amtrak right of way for the Marquette Greenway project.

Heit Yes
lazzetto Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes
Zabicki Yes

Motion Carried

f. Pokagon Fund Grants – Union Pier Trailhead Parking & Tractor

Zabicki moved, Heit seconded to approve writing grants to The Pokagon Fund for \$75,000 for the Union Pier Trailhead Parking project and for \$8,641 for a tractor (a third of the cost, the rest being split by water/sewer and the park departments).

Heit Yes
lazzetto Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes
Zabicki Yes

Motion Carried

9. ADJOURNMENT

Rahm moved, Rogers seconded to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

Heit Yes
lazzetto Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes
Zabicki Yes

Motion Carried

Submitted,

Judith H. Zabicki
Clerk