

RAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M.
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Location: Ray Township Hall
64255 Wolcott, Ray, MI 48096

Present: Joe Jarzyna, Supervisor
Lori Lascoe, Clerk
Betsy Bart, Treasurer
Betty Grader, Trustee
Doug Stier, Trustee

Absent: None

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES & ROLL CALL.
Supervisor Jarzyna called the special meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Clerk Lascoe called roll; Jarzyna, Lascoe, Bart, Grader and Stier were present.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to approve agenda as presented.
MOTION carried.**

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: - For Agenda Items
There were no public comments.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Spark Grant program for two pickleball courts proposed in the Township Municipal Park
Treasurer Betsy Bart explained Michigan Township of Association announced the Sparks grant includes the development, renovation or redevelopment of public recreation at public recreation space that have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. She stated residents have expressed their desire for pickleball courts in the Township park. The Sparks grant is a total of \$65 million, the grant amounts that will be awarded is one-hundred thousand to one million dollars. She contacted Steve Cassin; the Township Planner and he prepared the plan that was provided to the Board of the Park showing the area south of the basketball & tennis area for two pickleball courts. She provided the Board with a quote from Snapsports for two pickleball courts at 60' x 30' for \$32,250.00 which would still require the base of asphalt. She explained Doug Stier contacted Total Asphalt Paving for a quote for the asphalt and they submitted a complete quote for two pickleball courts which included the entire project at \$68,250.00 which includes the fence, poles, net, and striping.

Jarzyna stated he reviewed previous grants and twenty-five percent was provided so he recommended providing \$25,000.00 for the project.

Lascoe stated the Spark grant is offered by the State Department of Natural Resources. Further stated she has read in the paper of other municipalities applying for the grant.

Bart stated the total project with the Townships portion would be \$125,000.

Stier asked if the tennis court/basketball area could be revamped.

Bart stated the basketball/tennis area is used in the park.

Grader stated it would be wonderful if the Township received the grant and was able to provide two pickleball courts and re-do the tennis/basketball area.

MOTION by Lascoe supported by Jarzyna for Treasurer Betsy Bart to submit the Spark Grant for two pickleball courts proposed in the Township Municipal Park.

FOR THIS MOTION: Yes: Lascoe, Jarzyna, Grader, Bart, Stier.

No: None

MOTION carried.

- b. Resolution of Authorization – Local Unit of Government Match without Donated Funds – Resolution Number 2022-13 for submittal of the Spark Grant program

Supervisor Jarzyna stated the Spark Grant program requires a Resolution from the Board committing to the financial obligation of \$25,000.00.

MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to Approve Resolution of Authorization – Local Unit of Government Match without Donated Funds – Resolution Number 2022-13, as follows:

**Resolution of Authorization – Local Unit of Government
Match without Donated Funds
Resolution Number 2022-13**

Minutes of a special meeting of the Township Board, of the Township of Ray, County of Macomb, State of Michigan, held in the Township municipal offices in said Township on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Joe Jarzyna, Lori Lascoe, Betsy Bart, Betty Grader and Doug Stier
ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Stier and supported by Lascoe.

WHEREAS, the Ray Township Board of Trustees supports the submission of an application titled, “Ray Township Pickleball Courts” to the Spark grant program for two pickleball courts at the Ray Township Municipal Park, located at 64255 Wolcott Road, Ray, Michigan 48096; and,

WHEREAS, the Ray Township Board of Trustee is hereby making a financial commitment to the project in the amount of \$25,000.00 matching funds, in cash and/or force account; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that \$25,000.00 hereby authorizes submission of a Spark Application for \$100,000.00, and further resolves to make available its financial obligation amount of \$25,000.00 (25 %) of a total \$125,000.00 project cost, during the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

FOR THIS RESOLUTION:

AYES: Stier, Lascoe, Grader, Jarzyna, Bart

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: None.

The Resolution was declared Adopted.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

6. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Stier supported by Grader to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

MOTION carried.

Joe Jarzyna, Supervisor

Lori R. Lascoe, MiPMC
Clerk
Recording Secretary

Date