

SAN FRANCISCO TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING Minutes
July 17, 2023

Reviewed and approved claims for payment.–Pledge of Allegiance. All Board Members present.

Reviewed meeting minutes from the June Monthly Township meeting.

- **Scott made a motion to approve the June Meeting minutes, Andy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Treasurer's report Township accounts:

- Checking: \$302,776.51 (bank)
- CDs: \$498,135.69; YTD Interest \$5,101.22
- Grant: \$2,759.82
- ARPA: \$88,451.24
- Accounts Receivable – Olson still has an outstanding balance of \$4,124.00
 - Treasurer sent a reminder email of payment due with no response.
 - **Larry made a motion to approve the Treasurer report, and Andy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Planning and Zoning– no new business

Road & Bridge Report

- The Chard bid for 187th street was received and reviewed, totaling \$30,485.00.
 - They believe that they can get down to a 2-foot ditch for quite a way. They will also take care of the trees that need to be removed.
 - **Larry made a motion to accept the bid for \$30,485.00, and Andy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**
- Snow Plowing 2024: Andy would like to go out for bids for snow plowing.
 - **Scott made a motion to approve solicitating hourly rates for snowplowing in 2024, Andy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Citizens Committee –

- Phil S - Closing stabilization Grant / Foundation repair - See attachment for the CCAC list reviewed.
- Additional comments:
 - Note: the foundation testing date is not yet finalized but is expected to be done in July/August, reported on in August and the foundation repair completed this fall.
 - Larry had a question on foundation repair as to why it could cost more money and cited that the issue was with the vendor. Per Phil, the architects time to review is the justification and separate from the vendor doing the actual work.
 - Larry asked if a permit was pulled, which was confirmed.
 - Ramp discussion: Phil offered the suggestions that the old ramp can be reassembled at any time, if required, at least in the short term until the foundation, possible bathroom, etc. are completed.
 - Larry reached out again to the Vendor he has been conversing with regarding a ramp. He stated the used “quality C ramp” cost of \$13,200 is his choice and would like to purchase it now and held by vendor until needed.
 - **Scott made a motion to accept option number 9 on the bid for the used ramp at \$13,200 and purchase it. Andy seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.**

- **Larry added a motion to purchase a portable potty for the short term @\$1500 cost. Scott seconded. All approved. Motion carried.**
 - Heidi S - Phase II survey review – A survey was sent to current email list by the CAC with cost info on water/septic, a bathroom and needed repair asking if they were in favor of such improvement.
 - The survey yielded the following results from those residents who responded:
 - Yes = 55 No = 6
 - Additional (5) comments were provided with the surveys:
 - Be sure it is ADA compliant.
 - All public buildings should have bathrooms.
 - Add a urinal.
 - Make it look vintage
 - Needed for elections, elderly people and covid considerations.
 - The board is not in favor of accepting the recent survey sent to the SFT mailing list.
 - The board determined that they want to send another survey to all households with information on the proposed bathroom and repairs via USPS and have it on the ballot for a vote in the 2024 election.
 - **Andy made a motion to postpone the bathroom discussion until 2024 Election and Scott seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**
 - **Andy made an amendment to his motion that the township will spend the ARPA dollars of \$88,451.24 where appropriate and create a building fund in its place with the same dollar amount of \$88,451.24 to be spent on the bathroom, if/when approved. Scott seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Old Business

- It was determined that widening the Joyce Rd culvert near CR 50 is not necessary, per the engineer engaged to assess the request by one resident.
- Scott has the stop sign and narrow bridge sign. He has ordered culvert markers as well.
- **Scott made a motion to close the option to widen the road and that the bridge remain the same with added signs. Andy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**

New Business

- Understanding the Mining Ordinance? First steps?
 - A resident suggested that the discussion begin with a “brainstorming” conversation regarding the overall process. Discussion occurred on how to document a “checklist” of steps and also have residents provide their list of questions to be addressed. (Possibly then have a lawyer review and summarize?)
 - **Scott made a motion to keep the item on the agenda for a few months. Andy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Notes from the Clerk

- FEMA monies are owed to us from the State. The clerk is looking for old files to substantiate payment.
- Anti-Virus on SFT computers still needed. Supervisors are to call “System House” for assistance, if needed.

Adjournment at 9:05 p.m. motion made by Larry, seconded by Andy. All in favor. Motion carried.