

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING -LAMA BUDGET with LITTLEFIELD TOWNSHIP and VILLAGE OF ALANSON

DATE: March 8, 2021 TIME: 5:45 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:52PM for the review of the proposed LAMA Budget for the 2021 Budget Year after allowing both boards to review the packet information handed out this evening.

Present from Littlefield Township Board: Damien Henning, Supervisor, Sondra Festerling, Clerk, and Kim Shomin, Treasurer. Absent: Katie Derrohn, Trustee, and Dean Morford, Trustee. **Present from Village of Alanson** was Greg Babcock, President, Doug Larson, Trustee, Joshua Larson, Trustee, David Stepanovich, Trustee, Mark Fairbairn, Trustee, and Jennifer Murphy, Treasurer. **Representing the LAMA Board** was Damien Henning & Doug Larson. **Guests:** Craig Wilson.

The Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Jan. 1 to December 31, 2020 was given to show how the 2020 budget year ended along with the 2021 proposed budget was given and presented by Damien Henning. D. Henning reported that like the last few years, LAMA will not be billing for the local contribution from the Township or the Village. The 2021 LAMA budget proposed revenues are \$17,218.00. The total proposed expenditures are \$23,280.00 with the deficit coming from the fund balance beginning of \$30,881.00. On behalf of the Township, Sondra Festerling made the **Motion** to accept the LAMA 2021 Proposed Budget, Second by Kim Shomin, Motion Carried 3 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent. The Village of Alanson also made a Motion to accept the LAMA budget and was passed.

Damien Henning informed both Boards that this year LAMA will have to renew the Library sublease along with the operating agreement which has been done every 10 years in the past. The new sublease will need to be looked at and possibly increased since it has not been increased in a long time. The packet also contained a proposal from the Library for an outdoor reading area in the raised paved area in front of the Library. This area would have benches, a picnic table, and planters in hope to get children more involved in a summer reading program. Both Damien & Doug looked at the proposed location and do feel it is an under-utilized area and don't see a problem in allowing the Library to use this area as they have proposed. The only comment is that it is hoped that people use it in the manner it is intended for and that it does not get vandalized. On behalf of the Township, Damien Henning made the **Motion** to approve the Alanson Public Library's proposal as presented. Second by Kim Shomin, Carried 3 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent. The Village of Alanson made a similar Motion and was passed.

With no further information to be brought before both Boards, Damien Henning made the Motion to Adjourn the Joint LAMA Meeting for Littlefield Township and the Village of Alanson did the same.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:05PM.