

**Casnovia Township Special Board Meeting for
December 23rd, 2024 at 5:30 PM**

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Regular Public Hearing: called to order with Pledge of Allegiance at 5:30 PM by Supervisor Paul Black

Members Present: Supervisor Paul Black, Clerk Carrie Marlatt, Treasurer Penny Muma, Trustee Jason Jorgensen, Trustee Todd Willick

Members Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve Agenda made by Muma, supported by Jorgensen; Voice Vote 5 Ayes, Nays 0; CARRIED.

Public Comment: Public Comment was opened at 5:32 PM
Eldon Clough, Canada Rd. questioned the EGLE violations pertaining to sewer maintenance operations and maintenance.
Rachel Gort, Canada Rd. read statement regarding remaining use of ARPA funding
Public comment closed at 5:40 PM

BOARD ACTION ITEMS:

1. Review and discuss detailed Sewer Budget revenue and expenditures for year-to-date balance.
 - a. Willick spoke of the remaining sewer budget and contained use of sewer funds to manage the Bailey Sewer District. Feels the distribution of funds does not incorporate the community as a whole.
 - b. It was discussed that the township cannot deplete the account due to unforeseen circumstances with one full quarter remaining in the fiscal year.
2. Review bids for a properly licensed operations and maintenance contractor to manage the Bailey Sewer District.
3. Vote to approve all remaining qualified ARPA funds to be dedicated to a contractual agreement on or before December 31st, 2024, with a properly licensed operator and maintenance company to oversee and manage the Bailey Sewer District. Motion made by Muma to use remaining ARPA funds to enter into a contract with Huron Environmental with the remaining of the funds balance to be taken out of the maintenance of the Bailey Sewer and we will commit those funds by December 31st, 2024. Seconded by Marlatt with response of the unfairness to put Paul Black in the circumstance of acting as a sewer maintenance provider with no state required credentials. Marlatt also acknowledged that the previous supervisor’s actions may



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have created liability to the township. Willick responded that never has one person made all the decisions on the sewer district. Roll Call Vote: Jorgensen nay, Marlatt aye, Muma aye, Willick nay, Black aye, motion CARRIED

4. Review and discuss maintenance issues at pump stations 1 & 2 with recommended solutions. Black spoke on issues and working with Infrastructure Alternatives in repairing. Also looking into purchasing back up pump.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Board Comments: Willick questioned meter readings. Sewer meter readings will be obtained by Paul Black with further guidance of incoming Huron Environmental.
2. Next Regular Board Meeting – January 13th, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 6:06 PM by Marlatt, seconded by Muma; CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,
Carrie Marlatt, Clerk