

The regular meeting of Macon Township was held on Monday, March 5, 2024 at 7p.m. with Supervisor Dean Montrief presiding. Roll Call: Dean Montrief: present; Julia DeJonghe Marshall: present; Beth DeJonghe: present; Joe Rine: present; Charles Downing: present. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Important Dates:

Township Board Meeting April 1, 2024 at 7p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting April 17, 2024 at 7p.m.

Commissioner James Van Doren – Reported that the County is very healthy. Maurice Spear Campus Buildings will need a renovation; estimates to repair the Judicial Building, spoke about the Citizens for Local Control petition drive.

Mustang Mile – The Special Land Use Permit was issued in May 2021 and in December 2021 the extension was given due to the court cases with no end date on the extension.

Jim Griffin, attorney for Mustang Mile – gave a written objection to the extension being changed.

Public Comment

Marilyn Bagby – 7275 Clinton-Macon – Public Comment was heard. Macon Cemetery Volunteer and Volunteer Cemetery Board Treasurer for over 20 years.

Sharon Douglas for Donald & Margaret Schroeder – 8960 Britton Hwy. – Public comment was heard.

Purchase signage for the Macon Cemetery regarding rules. The township needs to continue funding the Lake Ridge Cemetery and that the GIS mapping at the County is incorrect.

Nancy Peltcs – 8880 Smith Rd. – Public Comment was heard. She has the petition for Local Control available for signing 100 feet from the township hall after the meeting.

David Drow – 9747 Welch Rd. – Public Comment was heard. Mustang Mile should not have an open ended extension.

Dan Mills – 9797 Stone - Public Comment was heard. Mustang Mile should have a end date.

Joe O’Neal -11200 Mills Macon - Public Comment was heard. Does not understand the extension.

Juliana Rine – 401 Sunset – Mustang Mile needs a deadline.

Joe Rine moved, seconded by Charles Downing to approve the February 5, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

General Fund Receipts \$58.90. Disbursements \$18,933.34. Total balance in the General Fund \$200,937.74

Road Account Receipts \$37.70. No Disbursements. Total balance in the Road Account \$29,148.83

Solar Escrow Account balance remains the same at \$1,764.46

Fire Account Receipts \$5.67. No Disbursements. Total balance in the Fire Account \$5,492.78

COVID/ARPA Account Receipts \$127.34. No Disbursements. Total balance in COVID/ARPA Account \$98,452.36.

Julia DeJonghe Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to approve the ledger account balances.

Julia DeJonghe Marshall moved, seconded by Beth DeJonghe to amend the attorney budget to allow for \$7,625 over the budgeted amount. Motion carried.

Julia DeJonghe Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to amend the MTA budget to allow for \$27.17 over the budgeted amount. Motion carried.

Julia DeJonghe Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to pay all bills. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Township Cemeteries: Lake Ridge Cemetery is not owned by the Township according to the Register of Deeds. Per MTA and Foster and Swift attorney's we cannot pay for the maintenance with public funds. Macon Cemetery and Welch Road Cemetery are both owned by the Township and that is why we pay the maintenance. Working on Cemetery Ordinances.

New Business:

Beth DeJonghe moved, seconded by Charles Downing to approve Resolution No. 2024-01 a resolution from Macon Township expressing support for the Citizens for Local Choice Ballot Initiative which seeks to amend the Clean and Renewable Energy and Energy Watt reduction act to repeal Part 8 as added by Public Act 233 of 2023, in an effort to restore Local Control for Wind and Solar Operations. Roll call: Dean Montrief: yes; Julia DeJonghe Marshall: yes; Beth DeJonghe: yes; Joe Rine: yes; Charles Downing: yes. Motion carried. Copy of the resolution is attached to the minutes.

Mustang Mile's Time Extension – Discussion

Charles Downing moved, seconded by Joe Rine to approve Resolution No. 2024-02, a resolution rescinding Mustang Mile Solar Energy LLC's extension of time under the zoning ordinance and imposing a reasonable time limit for completion of construction. Deadline is November 4, 2024 (244 days). Roll call: Dean Montrief: yes; Julia DeJonghe Marshall: yes; Beth DeJonghe: yes; Joe Rine: yes; Charles Downing: yes. Motion carried. Copy of the resolution is attached to the minutes.

Application for Fireworks Permit for 4/20/2024 – Indian Creek Campground – Joe Rine moved, seconded by Charles Downing, to approve the permit. Motion carried.

Report from Supervisor:

- a. Macon Cemetery Inc. (MCI) – audit – will review next month
- b. COVID Funds Update – Balance in COVID Account \$98,452.36
- c. Future Agenda Items – Cemetery, Roads, Fire, Millages, Budget
- d. Ordinance Officer update – no activity

Julia DeJonghe Marshall moved, seconded by Joe Rine to adjourn the meeting at 8:22p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Julia DeJonghe Marshall

Clerk

Macon Township

Guests: 24