

**Caseville Township Board Meeting  
January 2, 2024**

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Ben Willenberg.

Present: Ben Willenberg, Michelle Stirrett, Laurie Marrocco, Jerry Platko. Absent: Chelsey Dufty.

Sixteen citizens were present.

**Motion** by Stirrett second by Marrocco to approve the agenda, the December 4, 2023 Board minutes, the December 27, 2023 Special Board minutes, Treasurer's Report and invoices. **Motion carried.**

**Public Hearing was opened at 4:06 p.m.**

**PURPOSE OF HEARING:** to take comments on the proposed road special assessment district for Point of Sand Point (Shore Drive South Shore Drive, North Shore Drive, Circle Drive, North Island View Drive, Park Street, and part of Whispering Pines).

Joan Beltramo: The original plans were to go in with the County and the paving of Crescent Beach to save money and now the project will go on its own.

Dennis Richey: He is the manager of the project, and the original intent was to piggyback the project with the paving of Crescent Beach Road. The Road Commission has told him that the project will not take place until 2025 and the cost and contractor would not be known until the bids were opened. The company they have a bid from (Ace Contractor) says that the bid is based on the cost of materials and not equipment. Waiting until 2025 will not change the price. They decided to move forward and not wait.

Joan Beltramo: Not happy because if the project was done in conjunction with the Crescent Beach project it would be cheaper for residents.

Dennis Richey: The bid is from the same contractor that submitted a bid 6 years ago. There are a limited number of contractors that will do the work in the area. The quote is the same as what was submitted years ago. The price is not expected to change because it is based on the cost of oil. He doesn't feel they will receive a better quote.

Dan Tighe: Questioned how the lots on Whispering Pines/Point Drive will be assessed. Minutes of the association meeting state that Point West will share costs.

Dennis Richey: The intent is to pave the first 4 lots on Whispering Pines. The opposite side of the road is in the Point West Subdivision. Conversations with David Clabuesch indicate that they will reimburse their association for their share of the road. Their association will determine how to distribute the reimbursement.

Kathy Tighe: What portion of Whispering Pine will be paved?

Dennis Richey: This project will pave the first 4 lots and Point West will be paving the remaining portion at a later date.

Dan Tighe: Will the 4 homeowners be charged the same amount as the others and will they be paved at the same time?

Dennis Richey: They will be paved at the same time and pay the same assessment. There is some extra work that the Board would like to be done with the road improvement including excavation work around the boat launch, possible relocation of the road to the dock and payment of a survey relating to the dock,

Stirrett cautioned that the petitions only specify road improvement and not launch improvements.

John Carlson: The dock is not part of the road improvements and has not been approved by the Association. He doesn't want to pay more for that project.

**No further comments, the hearing was closed at 4:20 p.m.**

**Public Comments** on agenda items: None.

### **Committee Reports/Correspondence**

Master Plan draft for Board review.  
Fourth quarter budget report  
City of Caseville - 2024 water rate.  
Fire Association - December 13, 2023  
Harbor Meeting - November 15, 2023 and December 20, 2023  
Capital Improvement - December 27, 2023  
Planning Commission - December 5, 2023

**Planning Commission** - January 3, 2024.

### **Point of Sand Point Road Improvement Special Assessment**

**Resolution #3** by Stirrett second by Willenberg approving the road improvement special assessment district for the Point of Sand Point Association Road improvements. Roll Call: Aye: Stirrett, Willenberg, Marrocco, Platko. Nay: None. Absent: Dufty. **Resolution adopted.**

**Resolution #4** by Stirrett second by Platko setting a public hearing on Monday, February 5, 2024 at 4:15 p.m. to review and hear objections to the proposed special assessment roll. Roll Call: Aye: Stirrett, Platko, Willenberg, Marrocco. Nay: None. Absent: Dufty. **Resolution Adopted**

### **Board of Review**

**Motion** by Willenberg second by Marrocco to approve the 2024 poverty exemption guidelines. **Motion carried.**

**Motion** by Stirrett second by Willenberg to accept letters of protest up until the last day of the March Board of Review. **Motion carried.**

**Building Inspector Report:** None.

**Fire Report** given.

**Supervisor Update:** An ordinance addressing the handling of dangerous buildings as recommended by the Township Attorney was presented for Board review. A Public Hearing on the proposed ordinance was set for February 5, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Board Comments:** None.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Michelle Stirrett  
Caseville Township Clerk

Ben Willenberg  
Caseville Township Supervisor