

Minutes

Tuesday

August 9, 2022

**1. Meeting called to order** at 7:00 pm

**Board Members present:** Jerry Rohde, Supervisor; Neil Jenkins, Trustee; Marguerite Cooper, Treasurer; Kelly Bushre, Clerk; Absent: Brian Goward, Trustee.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance recited**

**3. Public Comments –** George Bailey – Thanked Wheeler residents for voting for him. He will now be running in the November election. Gave an update of the County.

**4. Approval of Consent Agenda** – J. Rohde made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. N. Jenkins with support. Motion carried. 4 yes and 0 no votes.

**5. Approval of Agenda** – Motion by J. Rohde to approve the Agenda as presented. Support by M. Cooper. Motion carried.

**6. Guest** – Jeff Ostrander – Village Manager was unable to attend. Supervisor Rohde presented a spread sheet of the upgrades to the sewer station. Discussed.

**7. Approval of Minutes** –

**Township Board Minutes of 7-12-22 -** Motion by N. Jenkins to approve the minutes from 7-12-2022. Support by M. Cooper. Motion carried. 4 yes and 0 no votes.

**8. Approval of Invoices** – Motion by M. Cooper to approve bills for payment as presented, Support by N. Jenkins. Yes Votes: Rohde, Jenkins, Cooper, Bushre. No: 0 votes. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**9. Report by:**

**Supervisor:**

1. **Zoning Permits:** Gillespie – Pole Bldg. on Adams/Wisner Rds.
2. **Land Division:** Finishing up on the P. Aldrich split with the PA116.
3. **Assessing update**: finished in Breckenridge. Miranda our co-op student will be leaving for college and last day will be August 23rd.
4. **Complaints –** weeds & lawns not mowed, junk & weeds on Barry Rd property. Building on M-46/McClelland road is being deemed condemned. County is working on contacting the owner and procedures that the owner will need to abide too.
5. **MREC – DTE update –** County Treasurer is working to get the final paybacks that all the entities will need to pay.

**Treasurer:**

1. **Update – R**eceive payments on summer taxes.

**Clerk:**

1. **Update –** hall rentals are doing well.
2. **August Election/Upcoming Election – Primary Election was held August 2. All went well. The November General election will be on November 8th. We will do some more training with the election inspectors.**
3. **Township ARPA funds –** presented a spread sheet with ideals of using the funds.

**10. Fire/Rescue Department**

**1. Update –** Officer Truck is complete and in service. Sold the light truck to VanLoons for $12,000. Looking to add 2 new fire fighters. The battery operating equipment have been received and being used already.

**11. Unfinished Business**

1. **Cemetery fence/paving update –** Handyman is working at getting the area all cleaned up. Looking to repave on September 28th.
2. **Parking Lot lighting bids. –** discussed. Have not received any other bids as of this meeting.
3. **Trash Agreements** – MMWA is still working on the final agreements. Hope to have the final contracts in September.

**12. New Business**

**1. Drain 31 meeting –** agreed to do drain 31, will still be having more public meetings.

Cost $420,000 split over 320 acre. Township drain at large portion around $21,000.

**2. Computer Technician – UNC Ithaca -**  we are in need of computer support. They will be in the office on Wednesday August 10th to look at our system and give us information about the company and services offered.

**13. Public Comments** – Jan Bunting gave a copy of the Sherriff report. Also a spreadsheet of the 2021 Tax disbursements on all the Wind Turbines in Gratiot County.

**14. Board Comments** – none

**15. Adjournment** - J. Rohde adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

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Jerome Rohde, Supervisor Kelly A. Bushre, Clerk