

Village of Breckenridge / Wheeler Township Board
Joint Meeting
February 20, 2024

A joint meeting of the Breckenridge Village Council and the Wheeler Township Board was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by President Seeley and Supervisor Rohde at the Wheeler Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Village Roll Call was taken by Clerk McPherson

Councilpersons Present: Clapp, Wenzel, Wingle, Seeley.

Absent: Burt, Matthews, Baldwin

Staff Present: Clerk McPherson, Manager Ostrander

Township Roll Call was taken by Clerk Bushre

Members Present: Treasurer Cooper, Supervisor Rohde, Clerk Bushre, Trustee Jenkins, Trustee Goward

Absent: None.

Guest Present: Olan Humm, Fire-Rescue board member at large, Jeff Westall Fire/Rescue Chief

A. Intergovernmental Fire/Rescue Agreements including Appendage A and Appendage B.

- a. Discussion on current Fire/Rescue Agreements. No changes made; Dates of the agreement will be updated. Motion CARRIED by both boards.

B. Fire Rescue Preliminary Budget

- a. A preliminary 2024-2025 Fire/Rescue Department budget was presented. Discussion was had on Standby fee agreements and charges as well as the department pay scale. Discussion was had on the equipment/vehicle millage that is up for renewal this year. Consideration given to rewrite the millage request to include building and grounds as well as an increase to the millage rate.

C. Sewer Agreement Update

- a. Operations are running well. Manager Ostrander discussed the progress and projected final expenses for the maintenance projects that will be completed by utilizing ARPA funds from the township and the county.

D. Assessing Update

- a. Supervisor Rohde discussed the 2024 tax roll and noted an statewide 5% increase in taxable values.

E. County Blight Ordinance – 7039 E. Monroe Road.

- a. The county blight enforcement is handling the notifications of blight on the old BP building. A notice has been sent to the owner demanding action be taken by August of 2024. If no action is taken by the owner, the prosecutor may be contacted to take further action.

F. Village to City Process

- a. President Seeley shared that the Village is not actively pursuing the change from Village to City at this time.

G. Township Road Millage

- a. Discussion was had on working together for a road project that will pave First Street south to Arnold road in the township and continuing that pavement to Jackson Road. It was discussed to bid the project together.

Public Comments - None

Meeting Adjourned at 6:16 pm