



Minutes

March 11, 2025

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Board Members present: Neil Jenkins, Supervisor; Lance Anderson, Trustee; Kelly Bushre, Clerk; Marguerite Cooper, Treasurer; Olan Humm, Trustee.

2. Pledge of Allegiance recited

3. Public Comments – none

4. Approval of Consent Agenda – L. Anderson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. M. Cooper with support. Motion carried. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

5. Approval of Agenda – Motion by O. Humm to approve the agenda with 2 additions. Support by L. Anderson. Motion carried.

6. Guest – none

7. Approval of Minutes –

Township Board Minutes of 2-11-2025. Motion by O. Humm to approve the minutes as presented. Support by M. Cooper. Motion carried.

8. Approval of Invoices – Motion by M. Cooper to pay the invoices as presented. Support by O. Humm. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

9. Report by:

Supervisor:

- 1. Zoning Permits:** Weber on Parks Road for a double wide.
- 2. Complaints:** burning in burn barrel. Discussed on the issue and have sent a letter to the address and owner of the property. Also, on the Blight at 8545 Chestnut St. Wheeler, discussed, a certified letter was sent to the owner last week.
- 3. MSHDA** – attended a meeting at Saginaw Valley on housing grant programs. Still working with the State on the best program that my work for our residents.

4. Planning Commission Public Hearing – committee recommends the Special Use permit for the Communication Tower. Motion by M. Cooper to approve the Special Use permit for the Communication Tower by Horvath Communications in Section 3 on Giles Farms Property. Support by L. Anderson. Motion carried on a roll call vote. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

Treasurer:

1. **Tax Update** – to date have collection 95.8%. Sent all information to the county and waiting to hear back to finalize the settlement for the 2024 Taxes.

Clerk:

1. **Update:** Hall rentals are going well. Discussed the review of the 1st renters in the updated Twp Hall.
2. **ARPA Twp** – have about 21,000 left to spend. Discussed on places that needed some repair or upgrade.
3. **ARPA – County Sewer Project** – reported that the sewer final update will be completed this summer. Reviewed spread sheet costs to remodel hall and will submit for payment for the 74,000 to county from the ARPA funds.

Assessor:

1. **Update** – Board of Review was held March 10th & 11th. Had 10 petitions. 1 veteran, 3 hardships, 6 individuals. All went well. Now will be working on sending all information to the state.
2. **Land Divisions** – for Vandewarker on Meridian for a split. Review. Motion by M. Cooper with support from L. Anderson to approve the split of 3.1 acre with house and 73.9 acre of land. Motion approved. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

10. Fire/Rescue Department

1. **Update** – for January 16 patients with 16 responders for a 4.0% per run. Working on collection from past due accounts. Funding for the new fire hall. Discussed the GESA. Intergovernmental agreement was discussed.

11. Unfinished Business

1. **BEAD Grant** – Chris Fabien gave a report the goals that Lake Net would like to meet with this Grant. Discussed. Motion by L. Anderson to give support to Lake Net to apply for grants. Support by O. Humm. Motion carried on a roll call vote. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

12. New Business:

1. Michigan Twp Par Plan Grant Resolution – Bushre reported on apply for the grant to help with the cost of a new entrance door that is ADA approved. Motion by O. Humm to support the resolution to apply for \$5,000 through the Michigan Township Participating Plan for a new entrance door that is ADA compliant. Support by M. Cooper. Motion carried 5 yes and 0 no votes. Roll call vote.

2. Yard waste in Village of Wheeler – discussed.

3. Road Commission Contracts – Discussed.

O. Humm suggested to do up to 10 miles of gravel resurfacing. Using 5 miles out of one pit and 5 miles out of another pit for comparison. Giving Supervisor Jenkins the roads to pick for the comparison. Support by L. Anderson. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

K. Bushre motioned to do 3 applications of brining for 2025. Support by M. Cooper. Motion carried. Roll call vote.

Motion by M. Cooper to do the Arnold Road project from the Village limits of Breckenridge to Jackson Road in the amount of \$99,213.00. Support by L. Anderson. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

4. Assessor Applications – discussed. Motion by L. Anderson to form a committee of Neil Jenkins, Jerry Rohde, Kelly Bushre to hold interviews and bring back to the board a recommended candidate to fill the assessing position for the Twp. Support by M. Cooper. Motion carried.

13. Public Comments – George Baily Commissioner – Intern will be in place within the month. Forensic Audit is in the process at the county. George expressed the nice job done with the ARPA funds from the county for the hall updates.

14. Board Comments – L. Anderson thanked the board for the support he received for the difficult time with losing his wife.

Bushre brought up the signing of the contract with JBS for the building of the fire hall. Discussed. Also, on the financial if to hire a member at large to do the finances of the Fire/Rescue Department. Discussed. Will wait to see what the attorneys say when updating the Intergovernmental agreement along with the bond lawyers.

15. Adjournment – N. Jenkins, Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Neil C. Jenkins, Supervisor

Kelly A. Bushre – Clerk