



Minutes

April 8, 2025

1. Meeting called to order at 7:08 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 – M. Cooper made a motion to approve the consent agenda. O. Humm with support. Motion carried. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

5. Approval of Agenda – Motion by O. Humm to approve the agenda with 1 date change. Support by L. Anderson. Motion carried.

6. Guest – none

7. Approval of Minutes –

Township Board Minutes of 3-11-2025. Motion by L. Anderson to approve the minutes as presented. Support by O. Humm. Motion carried.

8. Approval of Invoices – none at this time.

9. Report by:

Supervisor:

- 1. Zoning Permits:** D. Gutierrez – shed, A. Long house addition, J. Weber – modular home, R. Compeau – pole barn, D. Johnson – pole barn.
- 2. Complaints:** nothing new. Previous complaints updates. 8545 Chestnut St. Wheeler a dumpster has been brought in. Seward on Wheeler Rd with generator called and is working with Consumers to get power restored. Sent letter to 3 other residents on abandoned houses that need attention. Huntoon house on Wheeler Rd. called and now there is a For Sale sign in window.

3. Lawn Bid – discussed. Motion by K. Bushre to accept the lawn mow bid from Limitless Lawncare and Snow removal for the amount of \$4000.00 for the 2025 summer mowing season. Support by N. Jenkins. Motion carried. 5 yes and 0 no votes. Roll call.
4. Planning Commission Meeting – meeting was held outside on 4-2-2025

Treasurer:

1. **Tax Update** – Township received County certification on complete the 2024 Tax Season. County will be sending the final completion soon.

Clerk:

1. **Update:** Hall rentals are going well. Next Wednesday, April 16th will be a Fireboard Mtg at 7pm at the Fire Hall.
2. **ARPA Twp** – will have to do a reporting by the end of this month.
3. **ARPA – County Sewer Project** – Township Hall remodel is complete. Will finish the spreadsheet to see the total amount that was spend with the County ARPA funds and funds from the Township General Fund. Sewer project for the pump station will be worked on and finished this summer.

Assessor:

1. **Update** – 2025 reports are all in, and waiting for the OK to roll over to 2026
2. **Land Divisions** – splits for R. McCormick & Village of Breckenridge. Motion by M. Cooper with support from L. Anderson to approve the split of R. McCormich 40 acre into 2.2 acre with house/bldgs. and 37.8 farm land located on Jefferson/McClelland Rd. along with a Land split for the Village in the Industrial Park of 3.42 acre. Motion approved. Roll call vote. 5 yes and 0 no votes.

10. Fire/Rescue Department

1. **Update** – letters to send out to residents of Wheeler Township with information about the new Fire Hall project and asking for donations.

11. Unfinished Business

1. **Assessor Applications** – discussed. Motion by K. Bushre to table the hiring of a new Assessor until the May board meeting. Support by O. Humm. Motion carried.

12. New Business:

1. **Noise Ordinance** – discussed. Motion by O. Humm with support by L. Anderson to review the ordinance and bring back information to the May board meeting. Motion carried.

2. CMS – BEAD support – discussed. Motion by M. Cooper to sign the letter of support for CMS on the BEAD grant program. Support by L. Anderson. Motion carried.

3. MTA – board members Jenkins, Bushre, Humm summarized what they learned at the 3-day MTA Conference in Grand Rapids.

13. Public Comments – George Baily Commissioner – Introduced Dave Owen’s the Gratiot County Commissioner Chairperson. Light will be going back up on Lincoln/Barry Road corner. September will be another tire drive. On Monday the Arnold Road project should be starting.

14. Board Comments – N. Jenkins presented Jerry Rohde with a Township jacket for all the years of service he has put in at the Township as an Assessor and Supervisor.

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

Neil C. Jenkins, Supervisor

Kelly A. Bushre – Clerk