

**WRIGHT TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
MAY 11TH, 2022 – 7:30 PM
Wright Township Offices
1565 Jackson St. Marne, MI. 49435**

1. Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rick Schoenborn with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer. Board members present at the meeting: Supervisor Rick Schoenborn, Clerk Theresa Frank, Trustee Brad Anderson and Treasurer Sharyl Dietrich. Trustee Adam Taylor was absent.
2. Dietrich motioned to approve agenda. Anderson supported. All ayes motion carried.
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 - a. Anderson motioned and Dietrich supported to approve bills and payroll in the amount of \$178,383.85, and accept as information the Treasurer's Report as written. All ayes motion carried.
 - b. Dietrich motioned to approve minutes from April 13, 2022, Regular Board Meeting and May 3rd, 2022, Special Board Meeting minutes. Anderson supported. All ayes motion carried.
4. Under public comments there were questions regarding the broadband meeting that Frank and Dietrich attended. Paul Sachs, the Economic Development Director for Ottawa County, headed the meeting. There has been so much work done and much more to do. Getting broadband to rural areas will take a lot more time.
5. Fire report was given by Dietrich. It was reported that there were 76 calls for service during the month of April. This is 17 calls above the same time last year. Replacement medical squads are in service and licensed with the State. The department is in the process of hiring two additional firefighters.

Matt Fenske, County Commissioner was at the meeting to give an update on Ottawa County. He did announce that broadband coverage was on the top of the list to be worked on. There is going to be a new \$32 million Justice Center at the Fillmore Complex in West Olive.

6. Unfinished business is the bids for the boiler and the web site.
 - a. Bids for new boiler for the township hall were considered. A motion was made by Dietrich to accept Ridge Heating and Cooling bid. It was a good price, and they are local to the township. Anderson supported. All ayes motion carried.
 - b. Bids for new web site were considered and discussed. Frank made a motion to accept the Platinum Package from Shumaker Group (STG). Dietrich supported. All ayes motion carried.

7. Under New Business, amendments were made to the Wright Township Fee Schedule. They are as follows:
 - Re-Zoning Fee will now be \$1,500 plus a \$1,000 escrow.
 - The phrase “Escrow not used is to be refunded to the applicant 90 days after completion of the project” will be added to the Fee Schedule form.
 - Charge for copies will be increased to \$1 a copy.
 - Labor for FOIA’s will now be \$19 an hour.

Frank made a motion to make these changes and Dietrich supported. All ayes motion carried.

Anderson motioned to approve the amendments to several already approved Treasurer’s reports. Dietrich supported. All ayes, motion carried.

Allison Miedema was at the meeting to introduce herself. She is going to be running for County Commissioner in August 2022.

Frank motioned to approve the Resolution 2022-05-01, for Partial Termination of a PA-116 for Anthony Langeland. Dietrich supported. Roll Call was taken; Schoenborn, aye, Anderson aye, Frank aye, Dietrich aye. All ayes, motion carried.

8. Supervisor’s Report
 - a. Supervisor reported there has been environmental problems where Dykstra Excavating is working. He received a letter from the DEQ letting him know they are handling it.
 - b. Supervisor spoke with David VanKempen regarding new lighting for the Lions Park.
 - c. Nora with ITC is looking to make a donation to the Township of Wright. There will be more information when it is finalized.
 - d. All due diligence reports on the new township property are in, including the traffic report. All are good.
 - e. Marne Fest was talked about - the car show, the parade, kids bicycle decorating contest, the run, craft booths and food. Supervisor urged everyone to attend Marne Fest on May 30th, 2022.
9. Board Comments
 - a. Dietrich reported the Senior Services luncheon was a big success. There were 46 people that attended. She received a lot of suggestions for future services. American Legion has offered their hall on Wednesdays, twice a month. Berlin Baptist Church has offered their facilities for senior exercise class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10:00 am. Ivy Rehab will be the instructor and classes start May 24th, 2022. This will run at least through August. June 1st will be bingo at the American Legion Hall at 1:00 p.m. Snacks provided. June 15th will be another free lunch for seniors at the American Legion Hall at 11:30 p.m. Goal is to have a Senior Newsletter with three months of events planned. What is really needed are volunteers! A big thank you to those who have volunteered, but more are needed to keep the program going
 - b. Frank reported that the Election on May 3rd, 2022, went very well and the Coopersville School Mill did pass. Wright Township’s voted totals: 186 YES and 169 NO. I wanted

to give a big thank you to all the great Election Inspectors. They are so good at what they do. Big or small election, the work is the same. I also wanted to let Deb and Mike Ruegsegger know how grateful I am to them. The two of them donate their time, truck, and muscles to get all that equipment up the stairs, put into their truck, brought to St. Mary's, and lug everything into the Church! Then come back at the end of the night to do it all again. THANK YOU!

- c. Anderson suggested we get something out to the community regarding the Township's new property. Supervisor replied that it is being worked on, and looks like the letter will go out with the summer tax bills.

10. Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Theresa Frank, Wright Township Clerk. www.wrighttownship.org
(Any documents referred to in these minutes is available at the Clerk's office).