

SPECIAL WRIGHT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

ON TUESDAY MARCH 29TH, 2022, 5:30 pm.

1565 JACKSON ST. MARNE, MI 49435

1. Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Richard Schoenborn.
Board present at the meeting; Trustees Brad Anderson and Adam Taylor, Supervisor Richard Schoenborn, Treasurer Sharyl Dietrich, and Clerk Theresa Frank.
There was an estimated number of about 30 residents at the Township Office for the meeting.
2. Dietrich motioned to move agenda number five (5) to number four (4) on the agenda, and also to approve the agenda. Anderson supported. All ayes, motion carried.
3. Supervisor reported that the approval of the closed meeting minutes is being tabled until the April 13, 2022 Board meeting.
4. Public Comments were taken. A few positive comments were made, but many negative comments regarding the purchase of property for the township. Some of the comments made:
 - Board is not being transparent.
 - Board is lacking communication with the public.
 - Property is not being purchased in the appropriate manner.
 - Board tried to have the Special Board Meeting in secret.

In response the Supervisor tried to answer questions. The Board has been as transparent as possible with this purchase. The purchase has been done with the Township lawyers' direction. Also, all County, State, and Federal laws for purchasing property for the township were followed. Nothing was done in secret. The Supervisor tried to explain, and answer questions. The seller came to him with the opportunity to purchase this property at a good price. The board had not been actively looking for property at that time. The situation presented

itself, and the Board acted on it. At the March 9 Regular Board Meeting, the approval of the land purchase had to be tabled due to the attorneys not having finalized the purchase agreement. On March 28th, the board knew it would be another three (3) weeks before we would have a board meeting to make a resolution. So, a special meeting was called for March 29th. On March 28th the agenda for the special meeting to approve a resolution to authorize the purchase of real estate was posted. Postings for meetings must be posted at least 18 hours before the meeting. The posting was well within the amount of time required. It was also posted on the township web site. The full minutes of any Board Meetings are published on the township's web site and kept in a binder in the office for anyone to read. A synopsis of minutes is published in the Coopersville Observer with a sub note that the full minutes can be read in the office. The full minutes published would be very expensive.

5. Dietrich motioned to approve the resolution to authorize the purchase of approximately 80 Acres of real estate. Frank supported this motion. A roll call was taken. Anderson nay, Schoenborn aye, Dietrich aye, Taylor nay, Frank aye. Motion carried.
6. Under board comments Taylor thanked the public.
7. Supervisor called meeting to Adjourn at 6:55pm.