

**WRIGHT TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
DECEMBER 14TH, 2022 – 7:30 PM
Wright Township Offices
1565 Jackson St. Marne, MI. 49435**

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Supervisor Rick Schoenborn with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer. Board members present at the meeting: Supervisor Rick Schoenborn, Clerk Theresa Frank, Treasurer Sharyl Dietrich, and Trustee Adam Taylor. Trustee Brad Anderson was absent.
2. Dietrich motioned to approve the agenda, and Taylor supported. All ayes, motion carried.
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 - a. Dietrich motioned, and Taylor supported to approve bills and payroll in the amount of \$41,278.06. All ayes, motion carried.
 - b. Frank motioned; Taylor supported to approve CD transfer of \$100,000.00 with Independent Bank, and \$300,000.00 with Horizon Bank. And to accept as information the Treasurer's Report as written. All ayes, Motion carried.
 - c. Dietrich motioned to approve minutes from November 3rd, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, and November 4th, 2022, Special Board Meeting. Taylor supported. All ayes, motion carried.
4. **Public Comments**
In the Public Comment portion of the meeting Commissioner Elect Allison Miedema reported she will take office January 3. Linda Way commented on a few things. First, she heard sewer bill was going up and wanted to know how it could go up with the big mental health facility in our Township. Dietrich answered that she just got the rate study and has not gone through it yet. However, the mental health facility is not at full capacity yet, so it does not help the Township residents too much yet. Second, she asked if Marne could do Christmas decorating like nearby townships do. The town looks boring. Linda suggested a decorating contest. Third, she would like to thank the American Legion for their generosity, as they donate the use of the hall for Senior Services activities! Also, she shared that the Legion collects Family Fare receipts and asks all residents save their receipts for them.
5. **Reports**
 - a. Dietrich gave the Fire Report. Fire Department is currently at 1,024 calls for the year. The highest ever reached in past years was 1,036. This will end up being the busiest year in the history of the Wright Tallmadge Fire Department. January is a busy month for training. Members are taking an active shooter training. The Fire Department carries six (6) sets of armor for these horrific events.
 - b. Dietrich reported on the Senior Services. Christmas lunch will be Dec. 21, 2022. Bingos will be first Wednesdays in January, February, and March 2023. And luncheons will be on the third Mondays of the month in those three months. No winter field trips.

- c. Frank reported on Elections letting the Board know that the proposal for early voting went through, and this will make elections more expensive.
6. Unfinished Business
 - a. 7a. on the agenda, regarding the Zoning Amendment is tabled.
7. New Business
 - a. Frank motioned, and Taylor supported to approve Resolution 2022-12-01. This resolution is regarding Wright Township fiduciary responsibilities to invest Township monies from time to time. Consumers Credit Union was added to the Resolution.
 - b. Taylor motioned, and Frank supported to approve Wright Township office hours and Schedule Fee for 2023. Roll call taken; four (4) ayes, 0 nays, and one (1) absent. Motion carried. Resolution 2022-12-01 is adopted.
 - c. Wright Township Offices will be closed December 26th, 2022, and January 2nd, 2023, for the holidays.
8. Supervisor's Report
 - a. Schoenborn reported that ITC's (sub-station) donation of \$1,000 was used for gifts for the Lions Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.
 - b. Supervisor also reported that the Township's Assessor, Steve Hansen, will be retiring. He will help a new Assessor to settle in.
 - c. If you're interested in traffic counts, please contact the Township Office.
 - d. Doug Hopkins from Imperial Municipal Services is also retiring effective December 31st, 2022. Rick Sparks is the new owner.
 - f. First meeting of the Steering Committee on Township Owned Land was held. They are very excited to get started. Another meeting will be held on December 29th at 5:30 pm at the Township office. Steve Quirk was nominated as Chair of the Committee and Stephanie Mayrose was nominated as the Secretary
9. Board Comments
 - a. Frank wanted to make sure she gave out a shout of thanks to Deb and Mike Ruegsegger for their very appreciated help with Elections! Bud Visser thanked the Board for the hard work they do.
 - b. Schoenborn reported that there was a Board of Review meeting on December 13th
 - c. Dietrich announced that the Treasurer's hours on December 29th, 2022, will be 9 to 5, and once again reminded everyone that postmarks are no longer accepted as paid on time.
10. Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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