

June 12th, 2024 Regular Board Meeting - 7:30 PM
Wright Township Offices
1565 Jackson St. Marne, MI. 49435

- The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm, with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by the Supervisor. Board members present at the meeting; Supervisor Rick Schoenborn, Trustee Adam Taylor, Clerk Theresa Frank, Treasurer Sharyl Dietrich. Trustee Brad Anderson was absent.
- Dietrich motioned to approve the agenda as is, and Taylor supported. Four ayes, one absent, motion carried.
- Dietrich motioned to approve bills and payroll in the amount of \$147,498.13, for May of 2024, and accept the Treasurer's Report. Frank supported. Three ayes, one nay, one absent, motion carried.
- Frank motioned to rescind the approved minutes for April 10, 2024, and re-approve the April 10th minutes with corrections. Taylor supported. Four ayes, one absent, motion carried. Frank motioned to approve the April 16th, 2024, Special Board Meeting minutes, and the May 08th, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, which Dietrich supported. Four ayes, one absent, motion carried.
- Public Comments
 - Levi, from LRS (Langerak Roof Systems, Inc. was at the meeting to offer a bid for a new roof for the Fire Station. A discussion was had with the Board to help understand what is needed for the new roof. The Board will discuss the new roof again at the July 10 board meeting.
 - Cheryl Clark, Ottawa County Treasurer, introduced herself and gave the Annual County Treasurer's Report.
 - Mr. Hopper asked why there were no lines on Arch Street and reported that the stumps around Veterans Park needed replacing. The supervisor replied that the Board would speak with the Lions Club. Mr. Hopper asked Frank why there were no minutes in the paper since January. Jessica from the Observer was at the meeting, checked her phone, and told him that the last synopsis of minutes was in the paper in March. Frank explained that April's were not in because they had to be rescinded and reapproved. May's minutes being approved at this meeting will be in the next issue.
 - Mr. VanDop, in good humor, commented that the political sign wars have escalated around town
- Reports
 - Deputy Chief Jon Alkema's Fire Report was given by Taylor. There were 94 calls for service during May. New jackets were donated by the Firefighters Association at the cost of \$9,400.00. Firefighters are donating their time at the food booth next week at the Berlin Fair. Money raised is what the Firefighters Association uses to purchase things like the jackets. Felicity Koets and TJ Weaver graduated from the Ottawa County Fire Academy. They are now fully certified firefighters.
 - Steve Quirk, Chairperson for the Steering Committee on Township Owned Land, gave the new township hall report. The walls are going up, and the budget of the project is on track.

- Dietrich gave the Senior Services Report. The last event of the summer is next Wednesday, June 19. Events will start again in September.
- No Planning Report.
- Frank gave the 2024 Election Report. The work for the elections is ramping up at this time. Early Voting before the August 6th Primary Election starts July 27.
- Old Business
 - None
- New Business
 - Senior Services Levy expires in December of 2024. Dietrich motioned to reduce the tax levy by 50%, from .2383 to .1192 for the 2024 tax. Taylor supports this motion, all ayes, motion carries.
 - Dietrich moves to renew the Senior Services Levy for four years at the .1192 rate. Taylor supports this motion, all ayes, motion carries.
 - Wright Township's Audit Report was discussed. The supervisor reported everything reported was positive and that the Township is gaining ground every year. The operating fund of the Township is at two point three million dollars. The full report will be on the Township's website.
 - Dietrich motioned to have Mr. Roland DeVries's commission for the Library Board renewed for four years, Frank supported this motion, all ayes, motion carried.
 - Discussion was had regarding purchasing new file cabinets for the new offices. Seven legal-size file cabinets are needed for permanent files. Tabled until July
- Supervisor Report
 - Schoenborn has received the annual Sheriff's Report and will get it to the rest of the Board.
- Board Comments
 - Dietrich reported tax bills will go out and be in mailboxes on July 1st. They will be due September 16th. Dietrich will be in the office from 9 to 5 on Monday, September 16th, 2024.
- Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully prepared by Theresa Frank, Wright Township Clerk.

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(Any documents referenced in these minutes are on file in the Clerk's office)