

WRIGHT TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 09, 2025 – 7:30 pm
In Office at 2024 Cleveland St. E. Coopersville, MI. 49404
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Approved May 14, 2025

Supervisor VanTimmeren called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. Board members present include Supervisor VanTimmeren, Clerk Theresa Frank, and Treasurer Sharyl Dietrich. Absent; Trustee Rick Schoenborn and Trustee Brad Anderson. The meeting was held at the Township Office, 2024 Cleveland St. E. Coopersville, MI. 49404.

APPROVE AGENDA and ADDITIONS

- Motion made by Frank, supported by Dietrich, to approve the Agenda with the addition of 7d. All ayes, motion carried.

REVIEW AND APPROVE

- Motion made by Dietrich, supported by Frank to approve bills and payroll in the amount of \$38,210.85, for March 2025 expenditures, and to accept as information the Treasurer's report as written. All ayes, motion carries.
- Motion made by Dietrich, supported by Frank to approve Board Meeting minutes from March 12, 2025. All ayes, motion carries.
- Motion made by Dietrich, supported by Frank to approve Special Public Hearing Budget Meeting minutes from March 24, 2025. All ayes, motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Deb Ruegsegger gave information on a citizens bi-partisan group that will be holding a presentation addressing the issue of property taxes being levied. The Ax MI Tax meeting will be April 22, 2025, doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and the speaker, Karla Wagner, will start at 6:30 p.m. It is being held at 2024 Cleveland St. E. Coopersville, MI 49404, in the Community Room. There will be a petition there if you decide to sign. They are trying to get this on the ballot in 2026.
- Dennis Umlor asked the Board if they knew why the hardware store in Marne was having a tough time selling their store. He was told the Board does not know the facts.
- Steve Quirk commented that there was graffiti on one of the town's Marne Sign.
- Steve VanTimmeren commented, as a taxpayer, on the OAISD school tax renewal coming up. He has some links, if anyone were interested, that would help them decide which way to vote at the election, which he stated is the most important part of the process.

REPORTS

- No report from Ottawa County Commissioner District 11 – Allison Miedema.
- No Fire report.
- The new Town Hall Committee report was given by Steve Quirk. He reported the meeting between the Board and the Committee has been changed to April 15th. At the meeting they will discuss the next steps to be taken with the Township property.

- Senior Services report was given by Dietrich. Upcoming events have been posted on the website. And just a reminder that there are no events held in July and August.
- Supervisor shared Planning Commission information. They are working on Labor Housing at this time.
- Election report was given by Frank. First election in the new building is a school election on May 6, 2025. There is no early voting for a local election.

OLD BUSINESS

- Frank motioned to approve Resolution 2025-04-01 regarding opposing truck sizes or weight increases, Dietrich supported. Roll call; three (3) ayes, no nays, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- Dietrich motioned to approve Resolution 2025-04-02 addressing the Poverty Tax Exemption. The new exemption is as follows:

• TABLE "A"

• AMOUNT					OF
EXEMPTION.....	100%	75%	50%	25%	00%

• % OF FED. POV. INCOME Standards.....	100%	120%	130%	140%	
<u>140% PLUS</u>					

SIZE OF FAMILY UNIT

1	\$15,060	\$18,072	\$19,578	\$21,084
2	\$20,440	\$24,528	\$26,572	\$28,616
3	\$25,820	\$30,984	\$33,566	\$36,148
4	\$31,200	\$37,440	\$40,560	\$43,680
5	\$36,580	\$43,896	\$47,554	\$51,212
6	\$41,960	\$50,352	\$54,548	\$58,744
7	\$47,340	\$56,808	\$61,542	\$66,276
8	\$52,720	\$63,264	\$68,536	\$73,808

For each additional person add \$5,380

Frank supported this motion. Roll call; three (3) ayes, no nays, motion carried.

- Dietrich motioned to approve the Historical Commission to go ahead applying for a grant to restore the old township hall on Cleveland. Mary Alt was at the meeting and gave clear specifics on how the Historical Commission would be taking on the expense of this project with this grant, donations, and their already allowed expense account from the Township. Frank supported this motion, all ayes, motion carried.
- 7d. added to the agenda. Frank motioned to approve the Partial Termination of the A & J Farm's P.A. 116. Dietrich supported this motion. Roll call; three (3) ayes, no nays, motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT

- Supervisor reported that the Township has budgeted for a new roof on the fire barn on Jackson St., but first a structural inspection is needed and that is being done on April 10, 2025.

BOARD COMMENTS

- None.

ADJOURN MEETING

- Supervisor adjourned meeting at 8:31 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)