

**WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
September 5, 2024**

1. **Call to Order:** Supervisor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.
2. **Attendance:** David Davis, present; Kurt Reich, present; Judith Fusko, present; James Griggs, present; Frank Maley, present.
Citizens: Bill Gibson, Patty Gibson, Tom Jaslowski, Robert Jirgil, Bob Jury, James Lawrence, Joe Mikalow, Sarah Saylor, Nancy Tabbert, Mandy Wallace, Shane Wallace, Craig Yeager, Tami Yeager, Katherine Yoder,
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge to the United States flag was led by Supervisor Davis.
4. **Invocation:** The invocation was given by Trustee Maley.
5. **Approval of Minutes:** Township Board meeting minutes, August 8, 2024: *Motion by Fusko to approve The minutes of the August 8, 2024 regular meeting minutes as printed. Support by Maley. Motion carried.*
6. **Treasurer's Report:** General Fund Balance: \$591,210.95; Receipts: \$13,429; 90 Expenditures: \$33,831.19; New General Fund Balance: \$570,809.66; Fire Department Fund Balance (includes Sinking Fund); \$364,089.05; Receipts: \$2,281.29; Expenditures: \$3,121.16; New Fire Department Fund Balance: \$363,249.18; Trust and Agency Accounts (Property Taxes, Special Assessment, and Fire Escrow) *Griggs. Motion carried.*
7. **Agenda:** There was no request to amend the agenda. *Motion by Reich to adopt the agenda. Support by Fusko. Motion carried*
8. **Guest Speaker: Mandy Wallace and Shane Wallace:** The Wallaces are the owners of Faithful Haulers, the business that supervised the Township Cleanup. Both said that they were very happy with the entire project. They expressed appreciation for the opportunity given to them by the Township Board. The Wallaces said a large amount of trash was brought in and put in the dumpsters they had furnished. They said they would like to repeat the cleanup next year.
9. **Public Comments: Jim Lawrence:** Lawrence said that Cass County is holding a cleanup in two weeks. He said the county had held a good meeting on ambulance service which included a discussion on the number of ambulances that may be needed along with the probable cost. **Robert Jirgil:** Jirgil turned in a petition with signatures of residents on Davis Lane and Nubour Rd. The petition asked the Township Board to consider doing something to slow down the traffic on those roads due to a high volume of pedestrian traffic. With the petition that was turned in was a picture of a sign used in some municipalities. The sign pictured a walker along the road in cautionary yellow and had a cost of \$1,500.00. **Bill Gibson:** Gibson, owner of Pitcher Lake Campground, wanted to inform the Township Board that he was allowing a woman who owned a travel trailer, to live in it after her home had burned down. He said that he did not have a set date of when she would be moving out.
 - A. **Building Inspector:**
 - B. **Zoning Report:** There was no report from Mark Davis.
 - C. **Electrical Inspector:** Electrical Permits were issued. (?) See Carol for the number of permits issued.
 - D/E. **Mechanical/Plumbing Inspector:** Two Mechanical Permits were issued for \$1,050.00 and two Plumbing Permits had been issued.
 - F. **Assessor:** There was no report.
 - H. **Fire Board:** Chief Yeager said that there had been 18 calls in August, and one new fireman was added.
 - I. **Blight:** Judy gave the report for August. *Motion by Davis to accept the report. Support by Mark. Motion carried.*
 - K. **Zoning Violations:** There was no report.
 - L. **Planning Commission:** The next meeting is September 12.
 - M. **Zoning Board of Appeals:** A meeting is scheduled for September 26.
 - N. **Dowagiac District Library:** Reich said that finances are good.
 - O. **Emergency Services Authority:** Frank Butts attended, and there was no ambulance bill set.
 - P. **Treasurer:** A new vacuum cleaner was purchased.
 - Q. **Clerk:** Davis presented the parking lot repairs.

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- R. **Supervisor:** *Motion by Reich to approve the parking lot bill. Support by Mark. Motion carried.*
- S. **Township Website:** Many visits were made.
- T. **MEANDRS:** There had not been a meeting.
- 10. **Payment of Bills:** *Motion by Reich to approve the list of bills. Support by Judy. Motion carried.*
- 11. **Old Business: Cleanup:** Fusko reported that the Township Cleanup had been a great success.
- 12. **New Business:** None
- 13. **Public Comment:** None
- 14. **Adjournment:** *Motion by Davis to adjourn the meeting. Support by Mark. Motion carried.*
The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Kurt E. Reich, Wayne Township Clerk