

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD
JANUARY 6, 2025

Supervisor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Attendance: Dave Davis, Supervisor; Judith Fusko, Treasurer; James Griggs.

Absent: Frank Maley; Kurt Reich

Citizens: Craig Yeager, Tammy Yeager, Shane & Mandy Wallace, Tom Langley, Cory Collins, Thomas Jaslowski

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of the United States of America was led by Supervisor Davis

Invocation: Supervisor Davis led in prayer

Griggs made a motion to accept the Minutes of the December 5th, 2024 meeting, as written; Second Davis. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:: General Fund Balance: \$553,132.07; Receipts: \$25,894.43; Expenditures \$20,269.81; New General Fund Balance: \$558,756.69; Fire Department Fund Balance (includes Sinking Funds) \$385,348.00; Receipts: \$999.12; Expenditures: \$6,063.22; New Fire Department Fund Balance: \$380,283.90; Trust & Agency Accounts (Property Taxes, Special Assessment, and Fire Escrow) Balance \$127,557.08. Motion by Griggs to accept the Treasurer's Report as printed. Support by Davis. Motion carried.

Guest Speaker: None

Agenda: Motion by Davis to approve the agenda. Support by Fusko. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Reports:

Building Administrator: No report

Zoning Report: No report

Electrical Inspector: Three electrical permits - \$548.25

Mechanical Inspector: Four permits - \$452.00

Plumbing Inspector: Two permits - \$416.80

Assessor Report: Board of Review - meets: Tuesday - 3/10/25 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. & 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. ; and on Friday - 3/14/25 - 9 a.m. - 12 noon; 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Cemetery Mgr Report: Sold 7 plots; 5 full burials; 9 cremations; cleaned up fallen tree/branches

Fire Board Report: Bills pd. \$1,645.00; truck #1260 serviced; A/C recharge & radiator censor replaced in Tanker truck. Yearly fire calls: 210; 15 calls in Wayne Twp; 5 EMS; 3 Volinia Twp; and 1 La Grange Twp. New frequency for radios. Fire Chief, Craig Yeager was unable to fill out the Grant paperwork because of the lateness of the paperwork received.

Blight Report: None

Unsafe Buildings: None

Zoning Violations: None

Planning Commission: A change of public hearing regarding current master plan.

Website may have link to the County Master Plan and upload for Zoning as well.

Zoning Board of Appeals: None

Dowagiac District Library: None

Emergency Services Authority: Supervisor reports 'status quo.' January meeting but no selected date.

Treasurer's Written Report: Mailbox installed and mail being delivered . The handout on Profit & Loss has some errors and will be corrected. Frank Butts' name will be removed from the Twp. credit card & a \$2000. limit increase has been requested. Wayne Water Interest \$6,782.85 will be paid in February. Treasurer asked about phone line removal in the fire department. Trustee Griggs is continuing to work on that project.

Supervisor: Supervisor Davis reported that he has completed the online Training Class for Supervisors. Davis told us he received the **Sheriff's Activity Report for Wayne Twp.** & 69 activities were reported in the township, resulting a 'good month.'

Township Website: Trustee Griggs has installed a switch for faster service but it isn't working properly. He discussed internet technology speed and the possibilities of a new program, router, higher security, & password change. He installed an updated Electrical Permit on the website.

MEANDRS

Payment of Bills: Motion to pay bills as listed by Fusko; 2nd Griggs; Motion carried
Old Business:

1. Appointment to Committee's:

A motion to appoint Shane Wallace to Planning & Zoning Commission committee's by Fusko; 2nd Griggs Motion carried.

2. A motion to appoint Barbara Jo Hartline to the Board of Review by Griggs; 2nd by Fusko. Motion carried.

3. Recommended to have a Budget Workshop on February 6, @ 4:30 p.m.

4. Cemetery Committee meeting is scheduled for February 4, @ 6:30 p.m.

5. Budget Hearing March?

6. Supervisor Davis wrote a letter to Volinia Twp Board, expressing the cons of the proposed gravel permit approval in Volinia Twp, and asked for Wayne Twp Board approval to submit the letter. A motion was made by Griggs to submit the letter to the Volinia Twp Board. 2nd by Fusko. Motion carried.

New Business:

Resolution R 25-01-01 & Resolution R 25-01-04 to remove parcel from the ambulance assessment district. Fusko moved. 2nd Griggs. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Fusko, Aye; Griggs, Aye; Davis, Aye. Nays: None

Absent: Maley and Reich

Resolution R 25-01-02 to remove a single assessment from the assessment district. Motion by Fusko. 2nd Griggs Motion carried

Roll Call: Davis, Aye; Fusko, Aye; Griggs, Aye. Nays: None

Absent: Maley and Reich

Resolution R 25-01-3 Cass County Mitigation Plan

Motion by Davis to adopt the Cass County Mitigation Plan. 2nd Fusko. Motion carried.

Roll Call: Davis, Aye; Fusko, Aye; Griggs, Aye. Nays: None

Absent: Maley and Reich

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Griggs, 2nd by Davis. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Reich
Deputy Clerk

