# Weare Township

# **Board Meeting Minutes Monday, February 10th, 2025**

### A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Doran, Supervisor. Larry asked for a moment of silence for the Byron Miller Family.

# **B.** The Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## C. Roll Call

Board members present included Mr. Doran, Mrs. Sayles, Mrs. VanderZanden, Mr. Miller and Mr. Stotler.

### D. Attendance

Audience members present included Zoning Administrator Andrew Clark, Julia Lauber, Paul Erickson, Paul Duncan, Jason Miller, Mark Sturr, Keith Edwards, Bruce & Nancy Maynard, John Wilson, Mark Shotwell, Jeremy Gage and Heather Douglas.

## E. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Jill and supported by Lane to approve last month's meeting minutes.

## F. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Byron and supported by Jill to approve the agenda as is.

## G. Treasurer's Report

Mrs. VanderZanden reported: in port numbers from Jill reports

- \$16,101.53 in the General Fund Checking
- \$ 67.12 in the Road Fund Checking
- \$53.72 in the Fire Fund Checking
- \$2.00 in the Escrow Account
- \$2.00 Bond Debt Retirement Account
- \$486,844.65 in the Michigan Class General Fund Surplus Account
- \$38,132.76 in the Michigan Class Road Fund Surplus Account
- \$26,278.41 Michigan Class Fire Fund Surplus Account
- Totals: \$483,378.01

### H. Old Business

- 1. Keith Edwards and Heather Douglas both attended from Pentwater and discussed working together on the Red Barn and discussing Grants and Laws and the community formulating a group with 1 chairperson. Working together to have a successful outcome.
- 2. Cyber Security- Mark Shotwell spoke at the meeting discussing all he does and covers with his company on Cyber Security. Lane went over the quote from Catchmark. A motion was made by Byron to go with Mr. Shotwell for 1 year. A second was made by Lane. Roll Call Vote: Byron-Yes, Lane-Yes, Jill-Yes, Melanie-Yes, Larry-Yes
- 3. Pentwater Library was not present at the meeting.
- 4. Age Resolution for John Hancock: Larry made a motion to change the age withdrawal from retirement to 59 ½ from 65. This was seconded by Jill. Roll call Vote: Byron-Yes, Lane-Yes, Jill-Yes, Melanie-Yes, Larry Yes
- 5. Echo/Herald Journal meeting notice postings. We will receive an update at the March meeting.

#### I New Business:

- 1. Jill needs to purchase 2 new stools/chairs for her desk Byron made a motion she could spend \$250 or less. A second by Lane. RolLCall Vote: Byron-Yes,Lane-Yes,Jill-Yes,Melanie-Yes,Larry-Yes. Motion Passed
- Larry talked about the Press Release/Thank You to the community on money spent on the roads. Jill made a motion to accept the road millage as written. This was seconded by Lane. Roll Call Vote: Jill-Yes, Lane-Yes, Byron-Yes, Melanie-Yes, Larry-Yes Motion Passed
- 3. Larry would like to go with Mark Daneman as lawyer for Battery Energy Storage System Ordinance. His cost is \$170 an hour plus travel. He is working with Hart also. Larry talked to Brian Monton and he is okay with this. A motion was made by Jill to go with Mark, Lane seconded this. Roll Call Vote: Jill-Yes,Lane-Yes,Byron-Yes,Melanie-Yes,Larry-Yes. Motion Passed
- 4. A motion made by Larry to participate in the August Hazardous Waste Request Conservation District at the cost of \$550.80. A seconded by Byron. Roll Call Vote: Byron-Yes,Lane-Yes,Jill-Yes, Melanie-Yes, Larry-Yes. Motion Passed
- **J. Correspondence:** An invitation was received for Brendan Hiddema Eagle Scout Ceremony on 3/1/2025.

## **K. Public Comments- NONE**

L. Zoning Administrator's Report- 3 permits for month between meetings

- M. Board Member Comments-Jill commented on the members serving on the different committees and that they should be compensated for their time at all gatherings. Larry mentioned he spoke with Mrs. Green and they are to come up with an amount.
- **N. Supervisor's Comments-** Mr. Doran is happy to work with Mark Daneman on the ordinance and to be moving forward.

# O. Approval of the Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Miller and supported by Mr. Stotler to approve the monthly bills. All ayes; motion carried.

## P. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Doran and supported by Mr. Miller to adjourn. All ayes; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Minutes were recorded by Mrs. Sayles.