

TOWNSHIP OF CHESANING
APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
December 5, 2024
7:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting: Called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Trustees.

Members Present: Supervisor Joe Ruthig, Clerk Daniel Himstedt, Treasurer Cathy Gross, Trustees Kevin Carlton, Ken Hornak, Scott Mrdeza, and Sarah Tomac

Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was presented for approval. MOTION by Hornak supported by Carlton to accept Agenda as presented. Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes: November Board minutes presented for approval. MOTION by Carlton, support by Tomac to approve the November 7, 2024 Board Minutes. Motion Passed.

Presentations: None

Correspondence: None

Brief Public Comments: None.

Committee/Board Reports:

- County Commissioner-Dennis Harris
- County Road Commission-Dennis Borchard
- **SCTOA**-Ken Hornak: Ken extended thanks to board for attending the SCTOA meeting. Commented on BEAD grant which will bring broadband to underserved communities in Michigan. He also mentioned the comments from Dennis Borchard regarding the new salt barn in Chesaning which will decrease response times when salt is needed.
- Cemetery-Daniel Himstedt
- Building Official-Rob Kehoe
- Ordinance and Zoning Enforcement Officer-Pat Olk
- **Rehmann Health Center**-Cathy Gross WIC continues to meet 2 times a month. Mobile Dental Clinic will be held on December 30. Chesaning United is ongoing. The drive started a couple of weeks ago and approximately \$13,000.00 has come in so far.
- **Fire Board** -Joe Ruthig Meeting was held on November 13, 2024. There have been 187 runs year to date and 26 runs for the month of October. A firefighter from Tri-Township Fire Department was injured at the storage barn fire last month. A get well card was circulated throughout the area Fire Departments. Chesaning Brady Fire Department is now housing a mass casualty bag for the County to be used along with ballistic vests and helmets in the event of a mass shooting. We also received a large "Stop the Bleed" kit from the County Emergency Manager which will be housed at the Saginaw County Fairgrounds. It looks like some of the Fire Trucks will need tires this year and probably some new hoses next year. Wages for firefighters will be going up in the next year. We are currently at \$10.33 with the first increase due January 1st. Another increase on February 21st will bring wages up to \$12.48. This will be a little over 20% increase in wages.
- **MMWA**-Daniel Himstedt, Ken Hornak. Meeting scheduled for December
- **Task Force**-Joseph Ruthig Meeting scheduled for January 21, 2025.
- Parks & Rec-Kevin Carlton and Joe Ruthig

Board Officials Reports:

Supervisor: Young's County Drain meeting was held on December 2, 2024. Still working on compensation for easements. The December Board of Review will be on Monday December 9, 2024 at 1:00 pm. No appeals at this meeting. Mutual Mistakes of Facts or Clerical Errors and Poverty Exemptions. Chesaning Offices will be closed on December 24, 2024 in observance of Christmas Eve and December 31, 2024 in observance of New Year's Eve.

Clerk: There are a few county level issues remaining. There are audits and two recounts that need to be completed. These things will be wrapping up in January.

Treasurer: Taxes were mailed after Thanksgiving. Summer taxes can still be paid with 4% interest. Board of Review meeting in on Monday. Tax collection and address changes and questions related to bills.

Unfinished Business:

- **None**

New Business:

- A. **Consider Ex Post Facto Sending Board Members to the 2024 SCTOA Holiday Meeting.** MOTION: by Hornak supported by Mrdeza to send Board Members to SCTOA Holiday meeting. Roll Call Vote Yeas: Carlton, Tomac, Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Ruthig. Nays: none. Motion carries.
- B. **Consider Purchase of New Hard Drive For Supervisor's Computer (\$325.56).** MOTION: By Hornak supported by Tomac to purchase a new hard drive for Supervisors Computer in the amount of \$325.56 Roll Call Vote: Tomac, Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Carlton, Ruthig. Nays: None Motion Carries.
- C. **Consider Appointment of Scott Mrdeza as the Ex Officio Member of the Planning Commission (11/5/24-3/31/27).** MOTION: by Ruthig supported by Hornak to Appoint Scott Mrdeza as ex officio member of Planning Commission beginning 11/5/24 - 3/31/27. Motion carries
- D. **Consider Appointment of Charles Weisenberger to the Chesaning Township Board of Review (1/1/25-12/31/26).** MOTION: by Ruthig supported by Carlton to appoint Charles Weisenberger to the Chesaning Township Board of Review Motion Carries
- E. **Consider Appointment of William Schaufelberger to the Chesaning Township Board of Review (1/1/25-12/31/26).** MOTION: by Ruthig supported by Tomac to appoint William Schaufelberger to the Chesaning Township Board of Review. Motion Carries.
- F. **Consider Appointment of Matthew Mallory to the Chesaning Township Board of Review (1/1/25-12/31/26).** MOTION: by Ruthig supported by Mrdeza to appoint Matthew Mallory to the Chesaning Township Board of Review. Motion Carries.
- G. **Consider Appointment of Triston Pepe to the Chesaning Township Board of Review (Alternate) (1/1/25-12-31/26).** MOTION: by Ruthig supported by Mrdeza to appoint Triston Pepe as an Alternate for the Chesaning Township Board of Review. Motion carries.
- H. **Consider Appointment of Daryl Gross to the Chesaning Township Zoning Board of Appeals (11/5/24-3/31/25).** MOTION: by Ruthig supported by Hornak to appoint Daryl Gross to the Chesaning Township Zoning Board of Appeals.
- I. **Consider Appointment of Scott Mrdeza to the Cemetery Committee.** MOTION by Ruthig supported by Carlton to appoint Scott Mrdeza to Cemetery Committee. Motion carries.
- J. **Consider Appointment of Cathy Gross to the Cemetery Committee.** MOTION by Ruthig supported by Mrdeza to appoint Cathy Gross to the Cemetery Committee. Motion carries
- K. **Consider Appointment of Sarah Tomac to the Township Parks Committee.** MOTION by Ruthig supported by Hornak to appoint Sarah Tomac to the Township Parks Committee, Motion carries.
- L. **Consider Dates for February Budget Meeting (2/12/25-2/13/25).**
- M. **Consider Resignation Letter from Elizabeth Hickman.** MOTION by Hornak supported by Gross to accept resignation of Elizabeth Hickman effective 11/6/24. Motion carries.
- N. **Consider Adoption of the Chesaning Township Anti-Blight Ordinance.** Suggested changes will be submitted to the attorney for review.
- O. **Consider Adoption of the Chesaning Township Animal Control Ordinance.** Suggested changes will be submitted to the attorney for review.
- P. **Discussion Regarding Timber Sales of Wildwood Cemetery.** Supervisor Ruthig continue discussion of timber sales with the tree company.

Public Comment: Three minutes Per Person (any topic): Public Comment began at 7:43 and closed at 7:47 with 3 comments.

Township Board Comment: None

Approval of Bills: Approve the bills in the amount of \$37,441.84. **MOTION:** by Hornak supported by Carlton to pay the bills in the amount of \$37,441.84. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Hornak, Mrdeza, Gross, Himstedt, Carlton, Tomac, Ruthig. Nays: none. Motion Carries.

Adjournment: Motion by Carlton, supported by Tomac to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. Motion Passed.

Approved: _____

Daniel Himstedt
Chesaning Township Clerk

Supervisor Approval – Yes___ No___

Change Requests_____

Supervisor Joe Ruthig_____ Date:_____