

Wayland Township Board
Meeting - Minutes
November 6, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor VanVolkinburg at 6:30 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Treasurer Kamyszek.

Roll Call showed Trustee Stein was absent with notice. – VanVolkinburg, McInerney, Kamyszek, and Miner were all in attendance.

Approval of the October 9, regular board meeting and tonight's agenda was motioned by Miner with support from Kamyszek. All yes, motion carried. Both items were approved.

Audience (1st): Deb CronKright - sister of resident @ 2672 Seymour Drive attended and blight was removed and VanVolkinburg approved the blight clean up. Further discussion below.

Bob Genetski, County Clerk presented his annual report.

County Commissioner Report – Mark DeYoung – not in attendance

Planning Commission Report – Matt Miner – request on 10/11/2023 from Colin Kummerfeldt of Apex Clean Energy text amendment was approved (See new business below) and Clint Luttrell regarding temporary dwelling will be discussed on 11/8/2023.

Sheriff/Deputy Report – August & September & October deputy log #'s not yet received. Deputy Rairigh reported things had been calm.

Cemetery Report –Micah Kuhtic – Foundation pouring was completed for fall today and mulching continues. Flags to be picked up in East Elmwood soon.

WAEMS Report – Sue Kamyszek – meeting on November 8, 2023.

Unfinished Business – Bids went out. Bids were discussed. Shared the listing of what VanVolkinburg approved with the additional questions.

Discussion above with Dennis Cartwright's sister from 2672 Seymour Drive regarding blight clean up and bid for demo. Sister shared that structural engineer said partial demo was ok. VanVolkinburg to get with Scharphorn @ PCI to verify before bids are requested (less blight picked up).

Fire Department Contract with City – VanVolkinburg & McInerney discussed with Attorney Seeber, she will get back with the City Attorney. Also discussed safety millage

EV=Early Voting – McInerney - EV pilots seemed to go well. Continue reading information from BOE, ACCA, and County.

Roads & Safety – VanVolkinburg and McInerney (no added info from either, but safety may be addressed with fire budget change).

Playground equipment offer – Kamyszek provided photos after last month’s meeting. It was decided not to accept the playground equipment.

Little Library Update @ Allegan County Park – VanVolkinburg and Stein have not had time to re-install the library at the Allegan County Park.

Versiti Blood Drive – Blood Drive at Wayland Township – Thursday, October 26, 2023, saw 16 successful units acquired. Some were turned away due to lower iron levels. The next blood drive will be Thursday, December 28, 2023. McInerney commended Kamyszek for doing a great job with the blood drives.

Millage discussions – Recycling – Kamyszek. The attorney who worked with us previously will get with Kamyszek about correct millage language to share with County Board of Commissioners.

New Business - Thriving Community Program (TCP) with Tribe – VanVolkinburg shared the program information and McInerney shared the paperwork. All agreed it was a good idea. McInerney will get the information out.

Solar Energy – Ordinance No. O-05-2023 – Text Amendment to Solar Energy Ordinance. Motion made by Miner supported by Kamyszek. All yes, motion carried. McInerney will be published on November 16, with an adoption date of November 14, 2023.

Meeting Dates for 2024 for the Township Board & Planning Commission reviewed – McInerney presented options. Choices were made and will be distributed.

Approval and Review of bills – Bills needing board approval, balance sheet – McInerney provided bills and items paid since last meeting.. After discussion, Miner made the motion to approve the bills with support from Kamyszek. All yes, after roll call vote, motion passed. McInerney shared a new update from Cove Data Protection. Approved to move forward to sign the agreement with Kore Hi doing install.

Resolution R15-2023 – Budget Adjustment – McInerney presented budget adjustments. Miner made a motion with support from Kamyszek to approve Resolution R15-2023. Roll call vote was approved with all yes, and motion carried.

Communication – ACRC Annual Report 2022 – see attached for Wayland Township

Sam.gov – Updated for Federal Grants, etc. 1180 Property - McInerney

Trustee Miner asked about the payment not made to the Contractor for the road work he did that was not paid due to Attorney sharing not possible and have to follow ACRC and they did not approve the work. Roads belong to the County. Prior to the work being done both Township Road Specialist Brenner and Supervisor VanVolkinburg approved the road work. The contractor is following State guidelines and the County said no following the work. VanVolkinburg has not yet contacted Contractor. Request that McInerney give Attorney Seeber the specifics from above to see if something can be done, as Road Specialist and Supervisor both approved the work to be done.

Audience (second): Colin Kummerfeldt and Erynn McKay from Apex Solar Energy thanked the board for changing the text amendment in the Ordinance.

Board Comments – VanVolkinburg – McInerney – Kamyszek – Miner

Miner – asked about the Burd property and results found. Discussed the new bid approval sheet and VanVolkinburg discussing with Arnsman for approval.

Kamyszek- Drain Assessment for next year – Five At Large for \$11,420.93 and two CD's have matured from 6 and 12 months.

VanVolkinburg stated the roads to be worked on in 24-25 will be 125th Avenue around Selkirk Lake.

McInerney shared the COLA for 2024 will be 3.2% for when working on budgets for next year. EV teams have been scheduled for the first 9 days with 8 hours a day prior to the Presidential Primary election. Presidential Primary election is a reimbursed election.

Meeting adjourned via VanVolkinburg with support from Miner at 7:47 p.m.

ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING TO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW.

Ann McInerney, Clerk
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