

Clerk's Minutes

August 12, 2024

The meeting and was called to order at 6 P.M.

Present were Supervisors: Jan Proffit, Brent Hodgeman and Clerk, Cheryl Wickham. Guests were: Lynn Anderson, Todd Johnson, Walt Hodgeman, Doug Wiita, Bernie Palmer, Larry Pluta, Carol Mc Pherson and Bob Brewster.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Jan Proffit and the Pledge to the Flag was recited.

The Agenda was reviewed by Chairman, Jan Proffit and a motion was made by Jan and 2nd by Brent to approve. All Yay and motion carried and the meeting continued.

The minutes from the last meeting were read. Motion made by Jan and 2nd by Brent to approve. All yay and Motion carried.

The Financial Report was read and a motion was made by Jan and 2nd by Brent to approve. All yay and motion carried.

Bills were read and a motion was made by Jan and 2nd by Brent to pay them. All yay and Motion carried.

Correspondence was read and discussed.

Jim Anderson started trapping the Beavers on North Enders Road and Stuart Road. Doug said he has ordered the steel for traps for these 2 sites.

Bob gave a report on current Zoning issues, and a copy of his tracking spreadsheet of Nuisance and Zoning violations. Bob explained the public hearing held by the Planning Commission, who determined that it is just a dispute between abutting neighbors, and that the amount of trash is not significant enough to pursue further enforcement. Motion made by Jan and 2nd by Brent to accept the Planning Commission's decision on the Bailey nuisance. All yay and motion carried.

Bob said the DNR will be sending letters soon to the land owners on the Gandy Dancer Trail in the Town of Markville to remove their items off of DNR property.

Bob said that Craig Summerland would like to deliver all the gravel we want from him for the year all at once, and that we can pay a little at a time until it is paid. The Board said this would be ok, and will contact Summerland.

Bob explained Pine County might want to expand their Memorial Forrest holdings in Arna Township. He is concerned this may cause an increased burden in property taxes because about 40% of the township is already tax-exempt land (State, County, Township, etc.). Everyone at the meeting agreed. Cheryl is to send a letter to Greg Beck in regards to this issue and it's impact to the Township. Motion by Jan and 2nd by Brent for her to do this. All yay and motion carried.

In regard to the ordinance violations, there are a total of 17 listed, 5 being settled as Compliant, with 12 in various stages of enforcement. Of the three certified letters voted by the Town Board at last month's meeting, one complied before Bob could even write the letter, one complied in response to the letter, and one is still outstanding. Bernie Palmer has a new violation (a shed) in the same spot as the RV that we took him to court over last year. Bernie said he would not comply and that he would sue the Township if we tried to do anything about it.

Todd Johnson is tabling his Agenda Request until the September meeting when Darrick will be there.

The next Town Board Meeting will be held on September 9, 2024.

Motion made by Jan and 2nd by Brent to adjourn. All yay and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Chairman _____

Clerk _____