## Clerk's Minutes January 8, 2024

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

Present were Supervisors: Jan Proffit, Lynn Anderson, Darrick Sweats and Clerk, Cheryl Wickham. Guests were: Bernie Palmer, Todd Johnson, Claudia Johnson, Carol Mc Pherson, Kim &,Tracy Erickson, David Hughes and Doug Wiita

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 the meeting continued.

The minutes from the last meeting were read and there were corrections made by the guests. Minutes have been updated with corrections. Motion by Jan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn to approve after crrections. All yay and Motion carried

Motion by Jan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn to approve Financial Report. Motion carried

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

Todd asked to rent the Town Hall for a Picnic on February 4, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM to include set up and clean up time. Motion by Jan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darrick to approve this. All Yay and motion carried.

Lynn spoke to Doug regarding Culverts.

Sue Davis asked about using the Town Hall once a month to have some Community projects card games, activities etc. The Board said that would be OK and for these functions and there would be no charge as long as the Town's people are there.

Bernie said that Cheryl cannot be a voting member on the Planning/Zoning Board and be a Clerk too. The law says since she has no financial interest in either of these positions, there is no issue with this. Bernie also said that at the October, 2023 Zoning Meeting there were not enough members to conduct a meeting. However, at that meeting the members attending were Ed Proffit, Bob Brewster and Cheryl Wickham. Since there is at least 3 members present, there is a quorum and there is no problem with this issue. After the meeting Ed Proffit retired.

Bob mentioned to the Board that he had gotten a solution to get on Bernie Palmer's property to measure the dirt etc. (without hiring an engineer) regarding the violation Bernie is accused of. Bob said by getting a Search Warrant and Bob going on Bernie's property to measure the dirt, he could get an answer Bernie said he better

not go on his property and he would not let Bob on his property even with Search Warrant. Then there were issues between Bob and Bernie and Bernie tossed his phone on the desk next to. Bob and said "go ahead and call the Sheriff, you can use my phone" and a conflict began between the two of them and Bernie said "I will bury you Bob" During this meeting, Jan asked Bernie to leave several times and he said he would not leave even if the Sheriff tells him to. Motion made by Darrick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn and Jan made it unanimous to drop the Bernie issue for now because the Township does not have enough money to follow through on this issue. Bernie said he would never to anything to hurt the environment.

Bob said someone on the Town Board needs to take over on paying for the WEB. Blue Host is now requiring to have a credit card on file and Bob has been using his, but he will no longer do this. He also gave each Board Member a copy of what is on the WEB now and said he thought there could be some changes. The Board tabled this for now.

Bob said the Board had approved on re doing the Zoning Ordinance at a recent meeting and he mentioned it to the Planning Commission and they are going to start working on this at their next meeting. Motion by Jan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darrick, all yay to have a Public Hearing, Post and Publish notices for this.

Todd said the Claudia and Bob issue has been addressed and removed from the Board.

Bob said the solution for Casey's issue is to Grant a Variance for her. Motion by Lynn and 2nd by Jan to have Cassie pay \$300.00 for the Variance and we would need to have a Public Hearing. All yay and motion carried.

Bob said he has told the Board several times that Roy Street needs to be cleared and cleaned up.

Bob left the building.

After Doug Wiita told the Board that he only maintains the road up to Gary Erickson's driveway, the Board decided that nothing needs to be done.

David said he wants \$300.00 paid back for permit issued to his Dad 15 years ago. The Board said it is too late now.

David wants copies of pictures of items removed from his property per the Court Order. The Board asked Cheryl to call Couri to check on this.

Motion by Lynn and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darrick to adjourn. All yay and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

The next Town Board Meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2024.

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