

## NORWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: January 8, 2024

Board members present: Don Byczek, Supervisor; Joyce Giuliani, Clerk; Jeff Edwards, Treasurer; Dave Solda, Trustee, Mike Steeno, Trustee.

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Supervisor Byczek. Pledge was recited.
2. Approve/amend agenda: Byczek requested to add three items under #9 New Business: budget discussion, purchase tv for training use and GIS mapping update. Motion was made by Edwards, second by Solda to amend the agenda as requested. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
3. Citizens' Time: None
4. Approve minutes for last month's meeting: Motion was made by Edwards, second by Steeno, to approve the minutes from the December 11th meeting. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
5. Financial reports for last month: financial reports were reviewed and discussed.
6. Bills for approval: Bills were reviewed. Motion was made by Solda, second by Byczek, to pay the bills as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
7. Assessor's Time: None
8. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a) Blight issues: two cases in progress: the Jensen (Smith) house and LaFaive house. The residents for the case on WPA Road cleaned up their yard. No word yet on the Long case which has been taken to court.
  - b) Decommissioning and property tax guarantee agreements for Groveland Mine solar project: the finalized documents were reviewed. Motion was made by Steeno, second by Solda, to allow the supervisor and the clerk to sign the final copy of the decommissioning agreement document and the property tax guarantee document when it is received from the Circle Power offices. Ayes – 3 Nays – 2. Passed 3-2.
  - c) Road commission estimates: the DCRC has sent several different quotes for work on County Rd 573 for the township to review. Byczek has been in contact several times with the road commission questioning their budget for next year so we can complete our budget.
9. NEW BUSINESS:
  - a) Budget discussion: preliminary budget items under consideration are:
    1. cost of elections
    2. trees for cemetery
    3. road paving for cemetery, if feasible

4. summer workers – keep our current part-time employee, hire 2 7-hr/day employees, 1 5-hr/day employees
  5. Hourly wage increase of \$0.75/hr
  6. Clerk, Treasurer, Zoning Official, Facilities Manager – 5% raise
  7. Facilities Manager bonus – 10% raise
- b) TV for on line training: with the change from in-person training to on-line training board members felt it was time to get a tv for the conference room to be used for on-line training. Motion was made by Giuliani, second by Solda, to purchase a 50” tv and mounting hardware for the conference rm. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
- c) GIS mapping: our GIS mapping is incorrect in some areas, especially Section 14 of T39N-R29W. A quote to correct it was received from Colligo in the amount of \$2,500.00 to correct it. Motion was made by Edwards, second by Steeno, to proceed with the work order from Colligo to correct the mapping deficiencies. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
10. Citizens’ Time: None
11. Committee Reports: None
12. Board member comments: **Byczek** – shared a letter that he sent to the road commission. **Giuliani** – phase 1 of the cemetery records project is almost done. Will get quotes regarding mapping of the cemetery for next year’s budget.
13. Adjournment: Being no further business, motion was made by Steeno, second by Giuliani, to adjourn. All ayes. Passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m. Next regular board meeting meeting is on Monday, February 12th at 5:30 p.m,

Joyce Giuliani