

Wilson Township Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
November 9, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present include Dan Hibner, Penny Szatkowski, Melissa Werth, Mike Centala, and Cody Werth.

Motion was made by Cody Werth, supported by Mike Centala, to accept the October 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Assessor

No report.

Planning Commission

Dana Hayka stated that they met and continue to work with Denise Cline on the review of the ordinances. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January.

Zoning Administrator

Tim Slosser stated that he met with the Planning Commission last month and finished up the list that they have been working on regarding the ordinances. Elmer's started to remove the dirt on the property on Herron Road. That project is going well.

Building Department

Don Gilmet gave the Building Department report. Don stated that he has issued 22 building permits so far this year. Construction seems to be about normal so far this year. Don stated that there is a lot of unlicensed builders out there doing work and he wants to advise residents that they should be careful when hiring an unlicensed builder. Residents have been scammed out of money and have had jobs that were not completed. He continues to work with the Zoning Administrator to ensure customers know how to get their zoning permit approval prior to construction permitting, and to ensure they comply with zoning regulations.

Fire Department

Chief LaCross gave the fire department report. He stated that they held Fire Prevention at Wilson School last month. The following week Chief LaCross and the State Fire Marshall went back to the school and participated in a read to the kid's event. The Fire Department participated in the Trunk or Treat at Wilson School. It went well. Chief LaCross thanked Dan Hibner for the donation of the candy for the event.

Chief LaCross stated that the background checks for Matthew Cohoon and Samantha Wheeler have been received with no issues. There are a total of 14 firefighters on staff at the fire department.

Township Park

Kevin Trelfa gave report. He stated that he picked up the packet for the Youth and Recreation Grant. Kevin stated that some paperwork needs to be completed and returned no later than December 1, 2022. There will be a mandatory meeting on December 1, 2022. The grant is for \$40,000.00 for park improvements. Kevin stated that they will hold a meeting to discuss the projects that need to be completed at the park before the next board meeting. A motion was made by Melissa Werth, supported by Penny Szatkowski, to accept the Youth and Recreation Grant in the amount of \$40,000.00. Roll call vote: Dan Hibner – yes, Mike Centala – yes, Cody Werth – yes, Penny Szatkowski – yes, Melissa Werth – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Kevin Trelfa gave report.

Recycling Committee

No report.

Township Hall

No report.

Correspondence

None.

Unfinished Business

Dan Hibner stated that he has not heard back on the light on Herron Road and M-32 yet.

New Business

Dan Hibner stated that the board needs to address the Otis Service Agreement for the elevator at the township hall. The township is up for the yearly load test. This is a mandatory test that needs to be completed for the state. A motion was made by Cody Werth, supported by Mike Centala, to enter into the agreement with Otis to complete the annual load test and complete maintenance on the elevator at the Wilson Township Hall. Roll call vote: Dan Hibner – yes, Mike Centala – yes, Cody Werth – yes, Penny Szatkowski – yes, Melisa Werth – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Dan Hibner presented the Northeast Michigan Materials Management Resolution. This resolution is to adopt the articles of incorporation of the Northeast Michigan Materials Management Authority. It is the recycling group. Since the townships and the city has taken over the recycling from the county, NEMCOG has been the fiduciary. NEMCOG has a new director and he has recommended to the townships and the city that they no longer will be the fiduciary, therefore, the Northeast Michigan Materials Management Authority is being formed. All municipalities are being invited; the county, nine townships, and the city. The city will have two representatives, Alpena Township will have two representatives, the county will have two representatives, and the nine townships will each have one representative. There will not be a change regarding the recycling except the name, and the township will have a voice. If the township chooses not to join, the township will still be in it and will still have to pay the fees associated with it. A motion was made by Cody Werth, supported by Mike Centala, for the township to adopt the Resolution of the Northeast Michigan Materials Management Authority. Roll call vote: Dan Hibner – yes, Mike Centala – yes, Cody Werth – yes, Penny Szatkowski – yes, Melissa Werth – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ken Lind from EMC Insurance was present and spoke regarding the township's insurance policy renewal. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Penny Szatkowski, supported by Mike Centala, to renew the yearly insurance policy with EMC. Roll call vote: Dan Hibner – yes, Mike Centala – yes, Cody Werth – yes, Penny Szatkowski – yes, Melissa Werth – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ken Lind spoke about the Accident Fund Insurance. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Melissa Werth, supported by Penny Szatkowski, to renew the Accident Fund Insurance in the amount up to \$2,215.00. Roll call vote: Dan Hibner – yes, Mike Centala – yes, Cody Werth – yes, Penny Szatkowski – yes, Melissa Werth – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Financial Report

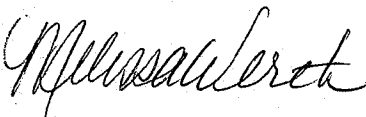
Penny Szatkowski gave the financial report. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Cody Werth, supported by Mike Centala, to approve and accept the financial report. Roll call vote: Dan Hibner – yes, Mike Centala – yes, Cody Werth – yes, Penny Szatkowski – yes, Melissa Werth – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Pay Bills

Melissa Werth presented the bills to the Board. A motion was made by Cody Werth, supported by Mike Centala, to approve the payment of all bills. Roll call vote: Dan Hibner – yes, Mike Centala – yes, Cody Werth – yes, Penny Szatkowski – yes, Melissa Werth – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Cody Werth, supported by Penny Szatkowski, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Melissa Werth
Wilson Township Clerk