

WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
7:00 P.M. April 15, 2024
Minutes

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance being recited by all present.

ROLL CALL:

Tom VanSyckle X Amy Snyder X Mary Karcher absent/Kim Thiel Deputy Clerk X
Ethan McNeal X Lee Carte X

Public Presence: Linda Howard County Commissioner, Dee Powell DDA, Jeanette Aldrich Library, Chris Zimmerman, Candidate for County Commission, Kris & Bob Beers.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Supervisor Vansyckle reported there was a sewer back up at the Dollar General last week, someone flushed a diaper. Isabella Corp. cleaned the lines back to Fremont. They said there was major sand and sediment in the lines. Supervisor Vansyckle reported the park is open and needing the office to get the Portal Jon's ordered and placed the same as last year from County Wide Septic. He also stated it has been a quiet month.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Lee Carte to accept the minutes as written for the March 18, 2024 Board Meeting. Ethan McNeal supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

BOARD MINUTES- March 18, 2024

TREASURER REPORT: A motion was made by Lee Carte to accept the Treasurer's Report and payments as presented for March 2024, Ethan McNeal supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT - March 2024

LEPRINO REPORT: Supervisor Vansyckle reported that Leprino's had replaced a pump at the lift station last week. They turned the old pump in for rebuilding to have an extra on hand, if further problems. The Waste Water Treatment Plant is nearing end of discharge. Overall everything is good.

FIRE REPORT: Chief Jason Stadtfeld reported all is running well at the fire station and they have 76 runs this year. He claimed a broken window on the grass rig. He said a firefighter was driving thru woods on a grass fire and a tree branch broke the window, they are having it fixed this week.

LIBRARY REPORT: Jeanette Aldrich reported that the Library is going to try having Saturday hours half day again. Also stated that they are in the initial stages of running a petting zoo at the Farmer's Market this summer.

DDA REPORT: Dee Powell reported that the DDA meetings have moved to mornings. Next Meeting scheduled for May 14th, (TUESDAY) 8:00am Fates Coffee Shop. Dee questioned the board on the walking path at the park as to what shape it is in because Billy Fate will get us more mulch if needed. Dee asked for an update on the pavilion. Supervisor Vansyckle said that Jeff Snider is going to be hooking sink up. Also the steam table needs to find a home and not sure where to put it someone requested it go in the middle of the room and to drop electric from ceiling, but Supervisor stated the steam table is one sided so it can go against wall out of the way. Dee stated that the DDA supports the Townships decision on these matters. Supervisor reported the roll up doors have been installed. Dee

asked why she cannot find the minutes on Remus.org, Deputy Clerk Kim Thiel let her know that we can only publish **approved** Board Meeting minutes and they are all on Remus.org.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chris Zimmerman lives in Canadian Lakes and is running for County Commissioner for this district, wanted to say "Hello" and any questions or comments.

County Commissioner Linda Howard informed board on upcoming drain tour the first week of May. She said that the Drain Commissioner and the other County Commissioners travel around county checking lake levels. She said that the deadline to get your petitions for election is April 23rd, 4pm to the clerk. She stated that all the County Commissioners are running opposed this election. She stated that the county received \$886,000 marijuana monies, half to internal infrastructure and the other half to organizations and townships. She said the county will start receiving applications for funds from the townships by July 1st, these requests must be very well thought out and lengthy in details.

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CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Consumer's Power Waste Water Treatment Plant Update: Deputy Clerk Kim Thiel reported that this month was around \$520.00.

2. Leprinos: Supervisor Vansyckle stated that they are at a 1/3 of what they were discharging before cutbacks. Everything running nicely at Leprino's they are updating a lot of things and it is status quo. He said that the fence at the Waste Water Treatment Plant needs to be repaired must be able to keep people out and away from ponds.

3. Elected Official's Salary: The board received a county wide comparison on the elected positions, they looked this over and will bring ideas to May meeting.

4. Township Employee's Wages: It was noted that the Office Assistant last increase was April 2022 from \$12 to \$15. Maintenance last increase was August 2022 \$17.50. This also was tabled until May meeting.

5. Scattered Garden Memorial Wall (Putting names on the wall discussion): Tabled this until Clerk Mary Karcher can get different pricing.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Budget Proposal: Treasurer Amy Snyder asked Chief Jason Stadtfeld Fire Department, Dee Powell DDA, Jeanette Aldrich, Library to have their proposed budget to present at the May 20th, 2024 Board Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kris Beers wanted to reiterate that the Clerk's job deserves increase in pay because she shadowed Mary Karcher at the 7 day Early Voting and it is A LOT!!!!

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ADJOURN: Lee Carte made a motion to adjourn the meeting, supported by Amy Snyder, all in favor, meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Kim Thiel, Wheatland Township Deputy Clerk