

Marysville Township
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Monday March 25th, 2024

Meeting: The meeting was called to order by Chair Joe Hickmann at 7:00 PM. Members present Joe Hickman Chair, Andrew Hirsch Vice Chair, Bill Uter Supervisor, Debbie Uecker Clerk-Treasurer, Bob Casey Road Maintenance, Ron Boehlke Road Maintenance and 18 others.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Oath of Office: All present witnessed Andrew Hirsch re-elected Supervisor for 3 years, being sworn in.

Re-organization: Andrew Hirsch nominated Joe Hickman for Chair & Road Boss, Bill Uter 2nd the nomination and carried 3-0. Bill Uter nominated Andrew Hirsch as Vice-Chair, Joe Hickman 2nd the nomination and carried 3-0.

Meeting Minutes: A motion to accept the February 26th, 2024, Board of Audit was made by Joe Hickman, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch and carried 3-0.
A motion to accept the February 26th, 2024, monthly meeting minutes was made by Bill Uter, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch and carried 3-0.

Treasurers Report: The beginning balance for March is \$460,740.34 receipts of \$92,401.12, expenses of \$283,619.51 and ending balance of \$269,521.95. A motion to accept the Treasurers' report was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter and carried 3-0.

Old Business:

1) 60th Street Culvert was discussed, Dan Nadeau of Wright County Soil & Water reached out with a plan to have the Township hire a contractor to conduct a hydraulic study which will survey 60th Street culvert and model it to see if it can handle a 10 year or 25 year rain event to determine if the culvert can be classified as a bridge, he presented a quote from Houston Engineering Inc. for a sum of \$5,000. A motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to hire Houston Engineering Inc. to do the hydraulic study for \$5,000 and carried 3-0. Marysville Township will apply for the Wright County ARPA Funds.

2) The Charter Communications Franchise agreement was discussed; Joe Hickman rescinds anything on Charter Agreement. It should come before the Town Board before going to Charter and does not want to lock the whole Township up with just Charter. A motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Joe Hickman to have our Township Attorney stop working on the Charter Franchise agreement and carried 3-0.

New Business:

1) Wright County Commissioner, Mike Kaczmarek was present, he informed all a purchase agreement on the old government center. Wright County Board was opposed to the new State flag, State seal and a bill that would require Counties over 100,000 in population to go to a 7-member board. Lots of ditch projects in District 5.

2) Dennis Lachermeier asked if the Township would apply dust control to the hills on 25th Street as it held the road together. Last year he gathered the neighbors and they split the cost of spraying part of 25th Street & Elder. He asked about lower spray rate. Normal spray rate is .30 and cost \$0.70 per foot, a lower spray rate is .20 and cost \$.47 per foot. Dust Control sign up deadline will be April 20th.

3) Cathy Riebel question if equipment purchases are under the State Contract prices for new trucks. Bob Casey had a truck quote from Boyer for a cost of \$320,000 for Township needs. Cathy is concerned that Ron's truck is 28 years old and wants the Town Board to look at the purchase of a new truck. Joe Hickman explained that we would need to increase the Town levy for a new truck. We currently have 6 months of expenses set aside in a Certificate of Deposit.

Bill Uter discussed setting up an equipment fund to replace all the equipment, so we do not just use all the funds on a single piece of equipment.

Leanne LaFave does not want an increase in the levy and the feasibility study does not show a need for a new truck at this time.

Bob Casey stated the crossmember on the 2002 Sterling is rusted out.

Nate Bodin questioned if it is rusted out, how did it pass DOT inspection?

Joe Hickman stated that we are not going to talk about a new truck unless it is on the agenda. It could have been brought up at the Annual Meeting to be discussed, he will not entertain taking on new debt until the building is paid for.

Andrew Hirsch discussed that we need to eventually replace two trucks, payloader and the 1-ton, which is why he created the feasibility study and discussed buying used versus new. We need to be fiscally responsible with our funds and plan for replacement.

4) Brian Matzke of Citizens Bank of Waverly was present asking for the Townships' depository funds. Citizen's is a local community bank and loans funds in the community. He can pledge for Township funds, discuss paying for the first set of checks, discuss checking and money market options to earn the most interest available. Residents spoke in favor of the bank change. A motion was made Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to name Citizens Bank of Waverly as the Township's financial designation and carried 3-0. A motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to transfer \$5K for a new checking account and \$5K for a new money market account to be created at Citizens Bank in Waverly for the change and carried 3-0.

5) Maintenance Casey gave an update. Cut brush & trees on 57th St SW, Endicott Ave, 30th Street, 25th Street, 25th Street & Colbert Ave. Worked with Soil & Water on 60th Street, sign work, equipment maintenance, hauled gravel, fixed ruts in on Bice Ave, spot grade & plowed snow.

Next Month will work pulling shoulders & grading.

Maintenance equipment – none currently.

6) Douglas Eiden 3918 Co Rd 12 S was present to discuss a variance request for a storage building for personal storage. The variance is required for the storage building as the total detached building area on the property would be 3,524 square feet (3,200 square feet maximum), sidewall height would be 16 feet (14 feet sidewall height maximum), and 100.1 feet from the centerline of the county road (130 feet requirement). After discussions a motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Joe Hickman to accept the 3 variances as requested mitigated by the following factors: the applicant has a berm of trees 65 feet from the Centerline of the road, the variance falls in line with other variances in the area, the higher sidewalls of 16 feet are not visible from the road, the property has a small temporary carport with no foundation that is putting the applicant over the square footage, the building blends in the area with other properties, and all houses on that side of the road all have a shed. Motion Carried 3-0.

7) Fritz Company Inc/Joe Hickman was present for a petition for an Interim Use Permit for a new mining operation in an old, un-reclaimed pit, to include mining and stockpiling of aggregates, along with the stockpiling and crushing of recycled concrete and asphalt for 10 years, as regulated in Section 155.031, 155.048(D) & 155.100 of Chapter 155, of Title XV Land Usage of Wright County Code of Ordinances. Approximately 400,000 cubic yards of aggregates must be removed. Crusher would be used for 2-3 weeks per construction season. A prior CUP was granted for mining on this property in 2001 to Mathiowetz Construction for the TH12 project. Joe Hickman is requesting a change from Mathiowetz to Fritz Companies Inc. Hickman's agreement with Fritz is to reclaim a section as he works through the pit. Curt DesMarais has concerns over trucks pulling in and out of the pit off Co RD 107 and questioned if a turn lane will be installed. After discussions a motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to approve the petition for an interim use permit mitigated by the following items: Crusher will only have the crushing operation during the hours of 7am to 6pm Monday thru Friday only, the pit is reclaimed in sections and a review by the Township every 2 years. Motion Carried 2-0, Supervisor Joe Hickman abstained from voting.

8) Having heard no complaints regarding Jerold Untiedt renewal for a CUP for a mobile home as a farm accessory; a motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to renew the CUP for a mobile home as a farm accessory under the same conditions for review in 2 years and carried 3-0.

9) Having heard no complaints regarding Ronald Grangroth renewal for a CUP for a mobile home as a farm accessory; a motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to renew the CUP for a mobile home as a farm accessory under the same conditions for review in 2 years and carried 3-0.

10) Having heard no complaints regarding Margret Mutsch renewal for a CUP for a dog boarding business; a motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to renew the CUP for a dog boarding business under the same conditions for review in 2 years and carried 3-0.

11) A motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Joe Hickman to pass resolution 2024-01 giving the authority to Clerk/Treasurer Debbie Uecker to create EFTs for the Township and carried 3-0.

12) A motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to name Wright County Journal Press as the Township's Official newspaper for legal notices and carried 3-0.

13) Andrew Hirsch discussed a CIP plan for equipment and wants to set aside \$45,000 each calendar year for CIP. Joe Hickman wants to pay for the building then set aside the payment amounts and more each year. CIP will be tabled until the December 2024 Township Meeting. Residents spoke up and want the building loan paid off.

14) Wright County Assessor agreement was signed.

15) Leanne LaFave has expressed interest in the deputy Clerk/Treasurer position to the Supervisors. Debbie Uecker will discuss the duties with Leanne and bring her back in April.

Upcoming Events:

April 4th, 2024 – Wright County Township Officer Mtg., 7:00pm Middleville Town Hall

April 12th, 2024 – Local Board of Appeals & Equalization, 1:00pm, Town Hall

April 20th, 2024 – Cleanup Day, 8:00 am-11:00am, Town Hall

April 29th, 2024 – Monthly Meeting 7pm, Town Hall

A motion to approve payroll/claims check numbers 12789 – 12825 & EFT 03-2024, 03-2024-1 & transfer of CARES totaling \$283,619.51 (includes creation of new CD) was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Joe Hickman and carried 3-0.

There being no other business to be brought before the Town Board, the monthly meeting was adjourned by Joe Hickman at 9:20 p.m.

Prepared by: _____ Date _____
Debbie Uecker, Clerk/Treasurer

Board Signature: _____ Date _____

Chair

Vice – Chair

Supervisor

Date Filed: _____

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