

Essex Township- Minutes of the Monthly Meeting

June 19, 2024 @ 7:00pm

Members Present: Supervisor Eric Verlinde, Clerk Tim Karasek, Treasurer Kathy George, Trustee Mark Winsor, Trustee Jim Gavenda

Visitors: Beth Botke- Assessor, Bonnie Hale- Cemetery Manager, Pete Manez, Phil Hanses, Dave Smith and Jodi Smith.

Call to Order: Township Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00pm followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Visitor Statements:

Phil Hanses- Drain Commissioner

- Introduction and background on his career and accomplishments.

Bonne Hale- Cemetery Manager

- Tree in Sowl taken down.
- Placement of the flags with the Scouts went well.

Beth Botke- Assessor

- PK Housing contesting assessment of property in Maple Rapids. Discussion. Maple Rapids Village would match up to \$1500 with Essex for attorneys fees to fight it.

Jodi Smith- Clinton Transit

- Handed out information on Clinton Transit. Free rides for vets within Clinton County.

David Smith

- Reviewed St. Johns Public Schools survey information. Urged attendees to fill out survey and have their voices heard.

Approval of Board Minutes:

Approval of the March 13, 2024 Board Minutes.

M. Eric Verlinde, **S.** Mark Winsor: **MCU**

Approval of the April 17, 2024 Board Minutes.

M. Kathy George, **S.** Eric Verlinde: **MCU**

Additions to the Agenda

None

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Trustee Report: Jim Gavenda

- CAAC Ambulance Report: Lynn Weber retirement and replacement search is down to 2 people. Decision forthcoming.

Treasurers Report: Kathy George,

- Review Transaction Detail by Account
- Wind/Solar discussion. Issue with industrial battery storage in the county.
- Elan credit card account is closed. Huntington pending.

M. Tim Karasek, S. Jim Gavenda: Accept the Treasurers Report as presented. MCU

Clerks Report: Tim Karasek,

- Discussions on financials.

Move \$150 of unallocated funds to election capital outlay for a portable printer for election evening.

M. Kathy George, S. Mark Windsor MCU

M. Tim Karasek, S. Eric Verlinde: Accept the clerks report as written. MCU

Supervisors Report: Eric Verlinde,

- Bengal Township does not wish to pursue a joint venture with Essex Township on planning and zoning.

Move to reimburse Bengal Township partial legal fees of \$180 to examine the feasibility of a joint planning and zoning venture.

M. Eric Verlinde, S. Kathy George: MCU

- Discussion on Clinton County Special Operations Team.

Old Business: NONE

New Business: NONE

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn 7:50pm.

M. Eric Verlinde, S. Mark Winsor. MCU

Next Meeting August 21, 2024 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Timothy Karasek

Essex Township Clerk

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