# **Goodwell Minutes** April 30, 2025

- Tim M. called meeting to order 7:00 pm, meeting was recorded: **X** Tim M., Rachel B., Bob B., Greg O., and Jennifer W. present. **X** Public:
- C Kasey Dakin
- Christopher Gingerich
- G Jeremy Rusilowski
- 🕲 Ryan Fast

- O David Fast Sandra Wright
- Joel Nichols

- ② David Fast

- Lisa Woods
- O John Miedema

- Pledge of Allegiance recited.
- Email was sent out with minutes from March 26, 2025. Greg motioned to accept the minutes , Bob 2<sup>nd</sup> passed. Minutes posted to the township website.
- Rachel: **Treasurer's report** as of April 30, 2025:
  - 🛠 Have \$277,276.74 total. Payments were \$6,404.64. There were no large payments. Revenue was \$9,658.38. Bob motioned to accept treasurer's report as presented and pay bills. Jennifer 2<sup>nd</sup>, roll call, passed.
- Public Comment: Christopher (BPFD) March was busy. So much so that training seemed to be on the job ۵ training! 34 Calls, 17 medical, 17 fire (3 structure, 2 mutual aid, 6 grass fire, 2 chimney). The annual pancake breakfast is May 24<sup>th</sup> 7a – 11am. \$10 adults, \$5 kids.

#### ۲ Bob: Zoning report:

- 🛠 4 zoning apps Kate Bush deciding type of home, Tony Foster deck, Greg Fewless pole barn, Kim DeCheney – RV/utility pole.
- 🛠 Jeremy had his special event application approved for his July 25-27 music festival. Mr Rattin has had his special event approved for his first mud run of the year.
- ★ The cell tower on 1 mile has everything settled. The requestor met with the planning committee who reviewed and approved. Then Bob approved.
- ✤ One land division Rodney McLeod.

## Planning report:

★ Had public hearing on the cell tower. Approved the request. Looking at Accessory Housing on a single parcel. The state has not given guidance so far. This has been tabled until the attorney has been decided.

### ۲ Jennifer: Clerk's Report

- 🛠 Election Public Accuracy Test done. Ordered signs, Tim and Greg will contact the property owners at the corners about putting up voting signs. The old election computer will be taken to be wiped clean and then it will be decided what to do with it. Blink application needs to be set for recording.
- ★ Cemetery: 2 burials (cremains) on Friday with no funeral home attendance. Jennifer will be present to make sure things go well.
- 🛠 Due to State requirement for certain election material to be US mailed to the township hall location, we got a mailbox and started receiving mail at the hall. We are going through the process of changing the mailing address for the township at all contacts. The change federally requires a new responsible party and that will be Tim. The ARPA fund reporting has a specific ID that is needing an update that requires the name Township of Goodwell as the business name, so this will be given along with the address change to all contacts.

### ۵ Old Business:

★ Cemetery: Disinterment was discussed. More information is needed. So far, looking at the digging will be done by the Sexton, and a vault company will remove for a full burial. The Sexton will perform all tasks for a cremation disinterment. If the police are involved, Goodwell will follow their process. The fee is as in the schedule for the Sexton, all other costs are to be paid by the requestor separately. Currently no trees or benches are allowed. There have been multiple inquiries about these so this is being discussed again. One option is to have the township designate a few areas that would allow for trees without causing a problem for mowing. This could open up arguments about why one area and not another. Tim will find out what the cemetery by Davis Bridge has in regards to benches.

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Fire contract payments: Currently Goodwell pays the fire contract in two payments. We are not able to zero balance at the end of the fiscal year. When the agreement is renewed, it will be set to make one payment after all fire milage monies are received.

## New Business:

- Greg motioned to change the May 28<sup>th</sup> meeting start time to 6pm to incorporate a retention review session at the start. Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, roll call, passed.
- **X** Rachel motioned to retain the services of Mika Meyers for attorney services. Greg 2<sup>nd</sup>, roll call, passed.

## Public Comment:

- ★ Jeremy: Discussed the 10pm sound rules in the special event ordinance. There is an on-going movie theater at the music festival that he is trying to see how to have the movie activity without going against the ordinance. While having an activity like this is potentially normal, the ordinance cannot so quickly be changed without causing questions on why this and not that exception. It is very costly to have a decibel reading capability and upkeep.
- Solution M: Asking about previous information discussed regarding the state refunding tax exempt property tax. It is still being researched. It was suggested to call our state representative.

## **Board Comments**:

- **%** Bob: Is fire department doing controlled burns? Call the department coordinator.
- Bob motioned to adjourn, Zam 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed. Meeting ended 8:15 pm.

### Next meetings:

- ★ Township meeting May 28<sup>th</sup>, 6pm
- ✤ Planning meeting July 15<sup>th</sup>, 7pm