

**WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M. June 16, 2025**  
**MINUTES**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

**Tom VanSyckle X   Julie Sellers X   Kim Thiel X   Ethan McNeal Absent   Lee Carte X**

**Others present:** Chief Kevin Thiel, Amy & Allie Noggle DDA, Gail Dolbee, Chris & Taylor Elder.

**SUPERVISOR REPORT:** Supervisor VanSyckle reported that everything running smoothly in the township. VanSyckle stated that we have a new hire for maintenance department, Allie Noggle, she is doing a fine job.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Tom VanSyckle to accept the minutes as written for the May 19, 2025 Board Mtg. Lee Carte supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

BOARD MINUTES-May 19, 2025

**TREASURER REPORT:** A motion was made by Kim Thiel to accept the Treasurer Report and payments as presented for May 19, 2025 Board Meeting, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report-May 19, 2025

**LEPRINO REPORT:** Supervisor VanSyckle reported they may possibly Closing with MMPA this month. We have a signed Lease Agreement with Steve Lobert holding till Closing. MMPA have retained all key maintenance workers. They are planning on Operation by March 2026. All anhydrous ammonia is gone from plant, which was reported last month.

**FIRE REPORT:** Chief Thiel reported the fire department has 116 runs to date. Thiel stated that there is one Firefighter attending EMT Basic or MFR training. Chief Thiel stated the old engine out of service is waiting on sale, needing to strip it of all retain able items.

**LIBRARY REPORT:** N/A

**DDA REPORT:** Amy Noggle stated that the DDA has same report for Disc Golf. DDA received no monies from the MET funds from the county level. They were seeking monies from Our Family cares /Fates which they did not qualify for. Noggle stated that they are pursuing a Toddler Plays-cape to put in next to the existing playground equipment in the park. Maintenance has put out extra trash containers near the woods for the Disc Golfers.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Chris Zimmerman: N/A

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** N/A

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Leprino's:** Addressed above.

**Replaced with New Business #6 Assessor:** Gail Dolbee will be retiring December of this year and is willing to work with a couple of individuals who are licensed assessor's to take her place. Taylor Elder will be acting Assessor with Gail Dolbee as her Assistant until December 2025. Clerk Thiel asked board if we need to go thru hiring process of other applications, Supervisor VanSyckle said no we don't need to go thru a hiring process I want a local person, this Assessor. After brief discussion, Clerk Thiel made a motion to table until July meeting so we may have a chance to look over and evaluate the hiring process, supported by Lee Carte, motion carried.

2. **Elected Officials Wage Review:** The Township Board Members-Supervisor-Clerk-Treasurer will receive 10% increase and Trustees-5% increase as of July 1, 2025.

### **Elected officials Salary Resolution Approvals:**

**Supervisor:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept Resolution #2025-002, Supervisor Salary for \$14,520.00 annually, Julie Sellers supported the motion, roll call 4 aye, 0 no, Supervisor VanSyckle declared the resolution adopted.

**Clerk:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept Resolution #2025-003, Clerk Salary for \$19,360.00 annually, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, roll call 4 aye, 0 no, Supervisor VanSyckle declared the resolution adopted.

**Treasurer:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to accept Resolution #2025-004, Treasurer Salary for \$17,490.00 annually, Julie Sellers supported the motion, roll call 4 aye, 0 no, Supervisor VanSyckle declared the resolution adopted.

**Trustees:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to accept Resolution #2025-005, Trustees Salary for \$2,420.00 annually, Julie Sellers supported the motion, roll call 4 aye, 0 no, Supervisor VanSyckle declared the resolution adopted.

3. **Update on hall restoration and painting:** Clerk Thiel stated that J&F Contracting quoting the outside power wash and painting from soffett down. Marvin Perry working on quote for commercial 7" eaves trough on the fire department west front side to rid the water and ice problem on entry door.

## NEW BUSINESS:

### **1. Budgets: Approvals for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

- **General:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 General Budget as presented, Lee Carte supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
- **Fire:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 General Budget as presented, Julie Sellers supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
- **Library:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 General Budget as presented, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
- **DDA:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 General Budget as presented, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
- **Sewer:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 General Budget as presented, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
- **HUD:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 General Budget as presented, Julie Sellers supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

- **Road Fund:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 General Budget as presented, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

**Amendments:**

- **General Amended:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to amend the 2024-2025 General Budget as presented, Lee Carte supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
  - **Road Fund Amended:** Lee Carte made a motion to amend the 2024-2025 Road Budget as presented, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
  - **Fire Fund Amended:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to amend the 2024-2025 Fire Budget as presented, Kim Thiel supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
  - **Library Amended:** Lee Carte made a motion to amend the 2024-2025 Library Budget as presented, Julie Sellers Carte supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
  - **Sewer Amended:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to amend the 2024-2025 General Budget as presented, Lee Carte supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
2. **Diane Green/OSRW letter:** Clerk Thiel sent a copy of letter to the board via email with no response. Clerk brought it up again this letter is concerning cremation burials at the Morgan/West Wheatland Cemetery and gave the inclination that there are burials being conducted at the cemetery without Township approval and it doesn't have to be. Supervisor VanSyckle stated that he turned both letters over to Township Lawyer Steve Lobert to draw up reply to both letters, but he was on vacation.
  3. **Maintenance seasonal worker:** Allie Noggle working with maintenance John McKenzie...going very well.
  4. **Electric Sign:** Optic Edge went out of business, support for electronic sign. They had replaced panel and could not match the colors completely. Their employee that replaced the panel said he has two extra that would match our and he would give them at discount. Also Johnson Outdoor Digital is back in business, I may call them to see if they will cover anything.
  5. **Mosaic School:** Supervisor VanSyckle had meeting with School Officials Michelle and Kyle, they stated that Mosaic School will NOT reopen. They are tearing school down all but gymnasium, in regards to possibly leasing it to us for 100 years. Duration of plans possibly two years.
  6. **Assessor:** Gail Dolbee will be retiring December of this year and is willing to work with a couple of individuals who are licensed assessor's to take her place. Taylor Elder will be acting Assessor with Gail Dolbee as her Assistant until December 2025. Clerk Thiel made a motion to table until July meeting so we may have a chance to look over and evaluate the hiring process, supported by Lee Carte, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Kimberly S. Thiel  
 Wheatland Township Clerk