

WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
7:00 P.M. FEBRUARY 20, 2023
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 x Ethan McNeal x Lee Carte x
Others in attendance: Jason Stadtfeld, Bob & Kris Beers

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Supervisor VanSyckle reported that he had a meeting with Consumers Energy about a rate study. After looking at the whole township the best savings would be at the Waste Water Treatment Plant and at the Municipal Pumping Station. Looking at putting in a Solar Field out by the WWTP, wanting 500 acres to do so. This will possibly change the way we are billed and could save us substantial money for our sewer account.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Lee Carte to accept the minutes as written for the January 16, 2023 Board Meeting, Ethan McNeal supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

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TREASURER REPORT: A motion was made to accept the Treasurer Report and payments as presented for January 2023 by Lee Carte, Amy Snyder supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Report January 2023

LEPRINO REPORT: Waste Water Treatment Plant is running smoothly.

FIRE REPORT: Fire Chief Jason Stadtfeld reported that there have been 37 runs to date and that the Fire Dept. had an ISO inspection. The ISO number is 8B and will stay the same after the inspection. Jason Stadtfeld asked the Board to consider a proposal. This proposal would be that Jason would work for the township with 50% of his time being at the fire dept. and 50% of his time being with the twp. working with our maintenance person. The Fire Dept. has many new demands with paperwork and requirements for a Fire Chief which is requiring many more hours of work and the township is looking for a part time seasonal worker with this person also learning John's job as John is talking about retiring in 2-3 years. Jason proposed that he would get paid \$25,000 from fire dept. budget and has asked for \$25,000 from the township as well as a percentage in a retirement program. The township will run some numbers and we will discuss this proposal more at the March 2023 Board Meeting.

LIBRARY REPORT: No Report

DDA REPORT: No Report

PUBLIC COMMENT: NA

CORRESPONDENCE: NA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Auditors' suggestion about Sewer Fund: (Figures to look at & think about)** Clerk Mary Karcher reported that her and Kim Thiel will work on numbers with totals and have for March's Board Meeting.
2. **New Tables and Chairs for Hall:** Tabled until May 2023 Board Meeting.
3. **Hardware for bathroom Sink Updates:** After a brief discussion, this job will move forward. Mary will contact Patterson Plumbing to get on their calendar. Ethan will pick up the fixtures.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Road Commission Dust Contract 2023:** Amy Snyder made a motion to do 2 Brines and a 3rd if needed, Tom VanSyckle supported the motion, all in favor, motion carries.
2. **Household Hazardous Waste Collection 2023:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to send Mecosta, Osceola, Lake Conservation District \$300 for the Collection & Disposal of Household Hazardous Waste, Lee Carte supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
3. **Fire Contract for Sheridan Twp. July 2023 - June 2026:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept both Sheridan & Broomfield Fire Contracts for July 2023 - June 2026, Amy Snyder supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
4. **Fire Contract for Broomfield Twp. July 2023 - June 2026:** Lee Carte made a motion to accept both Sheridan & Broomfield Fire Contracts for July 2023 - June 2026, Amy Snyder supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
5. **Consumers Light Fixtures:** Tabled until March 2023 Board Meeting.
6. **Township Pension Missed Wages 2010-2022 Lee & Amy:** Clerk Mary Karcher explained the Pension Missed wages oversight for Amy Snyder & Lee Carte.
7. **Maintenance Personnel (John McKenzie) surgery:** A brief discussion was had about John's upcoming knee surgery. The township will need a person to snowplow for a few weeks. William Beers will be in Tuesday morning to talk to Tom and John about what will need to be done.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

(3 min not on agenda 5 min on agenda)

ADJOURN: Mary Karcher made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Amy Snyder supported the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.