

WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
7:00 P.M. July 21, 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 X Lee Carte X

Others present: Commissioner Chris Zimmerman, Amy Noggle DDA, Kathy Smith, DDA, Gail Dolbee, Taylor & Chris Elder, Ruth Chapman, Brad White, Jeanette Aldrich.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Supervisor VanSyckle reported that the Wastewater Treatment plant fencing needs replaced/repared around the ponds. Heritage Days went well with no hitches.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Lee Carte to accept the minutes as written for the June 16, 2025 Board Mtg. Ethan McNeal supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

BOARD MINUTES-June 16, 2025

A motion was made by Tom VanSyckle to accept the minutes as written for the June 16, 2025 .

Special Mtg. Budget Revisions Lee Carte made a motion to accept the Special Mtg. Budget Revisions Mtg. , Tom VanSyckle supported the motion. all in favor, motion carried.

SPECIAL MTG. MINUTES-June 26, 2025

TREASURER REPORT: A motion was made by Lee Carte to accept the Treasurer Report and payments as presented for June 16, 2025 Board Meeting, Ethan McNeal supported the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report-June 16 , 2025

LEPRINO REPORT: This will now be changed to MMPA Report due to sale of Leprino. Supervisor VanSyckle will be attending a meeting with MMPA and treatment plant operator tomorrow. Tom also reported that MMPA working hard to get place ready for March production. Supervisor VanSyckle stated that MMPA has been working with the County on tax breaks, he had info of the Brownsfield Act and a tax increment revenue pass-through agreement. This is all County mandated through the state and we cannot do anything about it.

FIRE REPORT: Supervisor VanSyckle reported as Chief Thiel left for a call, of the department having 139 calls to date.

LIBRARY REPORT: Treasurer Jeanette Aldrich was only one present from Library. She stated the Summer Reading Program going well. Promotions for literacy in August and September. Clerk Thiel informed her that she received minutes from Library Board Mtg. from Becky and that the township office payroll will be handling the Earned Sick Time not the Library.

DDA REPORT: Amy Noggle stated that the DDA has a radio station spot on 103.9 and will be doing advertising for the DDA and all business'. The disc golf course signs are completed by the school they are beautiful. DDA is needing a licensed contractor to install new equipment and help move equipment from school. They are also having shirts done up for all DDA members.

CORRESPONDENCE: Commissioner Chris Zimmerman was present and stated that they are facing big problems from Drain Commissioner Karla Miller on the Tonkin Drain. There was discussion of the problems and it was brought to Zimmerman about the MET monies paying for lawyer fees for Green Twp. uncalled for, enough said.

Clerk Thiel presented the Sheriff's office reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ruth Chapman asked Board who is responsible for tree removal in Wambold Cemetery? Board noted to look into this matter on her family plot (Howard).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **MMPA:** Supervisor has meeting tomorrow more then.
2. **Update on hall restoration and painting:** J&F Contracting hall paint: \$16,840.00 and Aldrich Gutter: gutter over Fire department garage doors \$1382.00. Tabled until August meeting.
3. **Maintenance Wage Review:** Tom VanSyckle made a motion to increase maintenance wages to \$20.00/hr for a 40 hour week, supported by Lee Carte, motion passed. The Office Assistant position will be visited after a years employment.
4. **Lobert letter OSRW:** Clerk Thiel put this on agenda for an update as she has heard nothing on subject. Supervisor VanSyckle stated that he gave Lobert the approval to send the letter he witnessed. Tom said he would send board a copy of the letter.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Memorial Garden Wall plaques:MMPA:** Clerk Thiel reported to board that there was another plaque at a cheaper price to go offer individuals for the Memorial Garden. Kim presented an example plaque and the board agreed it would be really nice to have options, they did not recall the bronze plaque as costing \$600.00. The example will be offered to as an option for \$20.00 plaque.
2. **Assessor's Hiring Session:** 1. Taylor Elder with Deputy Assessor Gail Dolbee.
2. Bradley White
After discussion and question session, Lee Carte made motion to except Taylor Elder as the new Assessor, supported by Tom VanSyckle, motion carried. Contract was signed by all present.

ADJOURN: 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly S. Thiel
Wheatland Township Clerk