

Regular Board Meeting
Monday, January 24, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

1. Meeting was called to order by the Supervisor and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Beverly Ikola-Trustee, Sue Roberts-Trustee, Hope Tarnaski-Treasurer, Jeff Randall-Supervisor and Debbie Janczak-Clerk. In addition, there was one guest present.
3. **PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES** –MOTION by Ikola supported by Roberts to approve the minutes as presented from January 10, 2022. Motion passed.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS** –The Clerk added item 10.D. F65 update.
5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** –MOTION by Randall supported by Ikola to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed.
6. **PETITIONS**-None.
7. **COMMUNICATIONS:**
Supervisor: Daily pump report for December from GRWA. Clerk: email from Mandy Lake regarding the January MTA which will be postponed; permit from EGLE information; Treasurer: None. Trustees: None. MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to accept and place correspondence on file. Motion passed.
8. **REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES**
BASA – the meeting was cancelled.

TRAIL AUTHORITY – no meeting.

GRWA – audit was received and was clean. Tori Davey updated the board. Jean Verbos would like to be done working by May.

PAUD – meeting was cancelled.

GRSWMA – Received a clean audit report and paid bills. New sides are being custom made for the new truck along with a tarp.

WDSRF FUNDING - Supervisor Randall informed the board that the new application for the grant for copper line will not cost anything to resubmit. There is still some of the \$15,000 left originally set aside for these costs.
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
DPW WORKER NEW HIRE – Friday was the last day to accept application. There have been some from Facebook but were incomplete. The Clerk did send out applications to those interested.

SEEKING NEW AUDITOR-There were not letters of interest received. The Clerk will begin to make contacts.

RESOLUTION FOR COMBINED BOARD OF REVIEW – The Supervisor has received interest from the City of Bessemer that would be additional to Erwin, Wakefield and Bessemer Township. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Ikola to table for a later discussion. Motion carried.

10. NEW BUSINESS

BOR APPOINTMENT – Dan Jurakovich has expressed interest in continuing on this board. MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to recommend Mr. Jurakovich to the combined board of review with the same pay as in previous years. Motion carried by roll call vote.

4TH OF JULY COMMITTEE – DISCUSSION – Current President Lisa Selin was present and talked with the board. It was asked whether food trucks or other concession possibilities are an option. The township's insurance carrier noted that any outside vendors would not fall under the liability of the township. There is an issue with Pastor Todd signing off on the liquor license permit. After nine years he stated he would not do it this year. The fire department will be having more discussion on this at their next meeting. The board thanked Lisa for her time and commitment and she noted that this will be her last year in this role.

GLOBE/PROGRESS EDITION AD – MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to approve the cost of a quarter page ad with the following changes: remove the "newly completed" from the trail information. Motion carried by roll call vote.

F65 UPDATE – The Clerk informed the board that Roger Kolehmainen did complete the report and it has been submitted to the state.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT – None**12. APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE** –The following checks were presented for payment:

FUND	CHECK NUMERS	AMOUNT
General Fund	#15485-15504	\$9796.50
Water Fund	#22153-22158	\$3427.97
Anvil Sewer	#	\$
Ramsay Sewer	#	\$
West End Sewer	#	\$
Blackjack Water	#1001	\$2217.03

MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Ikola to approve payment of bills. Motion passed by roll call vote. The Clerk presented a list of payable from the other funds to the general fund for insurance, labor and utility clerk wages. MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to approve the transfers back to the general fund. Motion carried by roll call vote.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS–The MTA meeting is cancelled. The Clerk suggested a camera for the outside front door that would have a view of the drop box. There have been some issues and it may be a good back up for the township to know and see who is making payments and also for absentee ballot during election times. The Supervisor noted that with the closing of Stempihar's the township will need another vendor to sell garbage bags. The Dollar General was mentioned as a possibility. Also, the Holiday gas station in Wakefield could be used for DPW vehicles.

14. ADJOURNMENT – MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Ikola to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Motion passed.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debbie Janczak, Township Clerk