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Osceola Township Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2024, 6:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Mark Halkola on February 14, 2024, at 6:42 PM at the Osceola Township Board Room. Board members present were Mark Halkola, Christa Gardner, Christina Gardner, and Aaron Janke. Absent was Don Wareham.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Janke, supported by Christina Gardner, to approve the agenda with a correction to the date to be February 14. AVIF

Motion by Janke, supported by Christina Gardner to accept the minutes of the January 10, 2024, Board Meeting, and the minutes of the February 1, 2024, Special Meeting. AVIF

Motion by Janke, supported by Christa Gardner to accept the financial reports for the General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC utility, and OT utility funds. AVIF

Motion by Janke, supported by Christa Gardner for payment of the bills: General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC utility, and OT utility funds. AVIF

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 6:45 PM. No public comment was offered. Public Comment closed at 6:46 PM.

Reports:

- a. Assessor: No report submitted.
- b. Maintenance: Written report submitted. Also submitted a summary of repairs needed for the Township truck.
- c. OT Utility Board Action items: No action items.
- d. DBVFD: Written report for January and February submitted.
- e. First Responders: Written report submitted.
- f. TCVFD: Written report submitted.
- g. TC Utility Board: Written report submitted.
- h. TLASA: Written report submitted.
- i. NHCWSA: No minutes available for December or January.
- i. Supervisor report: Contractors are being contacted to bid on replacing the lead goosenecks on Elm Avenue between 5th and Main Street. There is a composting project update in the packet. Board of Review training in Marquette on February 20 – Louie Vencato and Mark Halkola will attend. The March meetings have been scheduled for the Board of Review – meeting schedule will be posted. Houghton County Township Association will meet at Franklin Township office on February 21 at noon, speaker will be Kevin Harju from the Houghton County Road Commission. TLPAC next meeting will be mid-March. The Presidential Primary Election will be held on February 27. MTA Annual Conference will be April 22 – 25, Mark is interested in attending. Meetings that are in the works: Veteran's ad hoc committee, Dredge ad hoc committee, MTU Storm Drain group.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Water Project Plan –update: Discussed at the utility meeting.
- b. Dollar General Project – On hold until next summer.

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- c. 5-year Rec Plan – status – All errors were corrected; the plan will be resubmitted to the DNR.
- d. UPPCO Master agreement – Motion by Janke, supported by Christa Gardner to approve the Master Agreement, and have Supervisor Halkola sign. Roll call vote: 4 yea, 0 nay, 1 absent. Motion carried.
- e. Truck/Plow bids – Discussed at utility meeting, no action to be taken at this time.

Tabled Business:

- a. Town Hall Meetings – leave on table.

New Business:

- a. FY 24-25 Meeting Schedule – Motion by Janke, supported by Christina Gardner to approve the Township Board, Osceola Township Utility Board, and Tamarack City Utility Board meeting schedule for FY 24-25. AVIF
- b. Budget Meeting Schedule – Meeting dates – First workgroup meeting scheduled for Monday, March 18, 2024, at 5:15 PM.

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 6:58 PM. No public comment was offered. Public comment closed at 6:58 PM.

Adjourn: Motion by Christina Gardner, supported by Christa Gardner to adjourn at 6:59 PM. AVIF

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the Osceola Township Board Room.