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Osceola Township Meeting Minutes  
March 12, 2025, 6:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Mark Halkola on March 12, 2025, at 7:11 PM at the Osceola Township Board Room. Board members present were Mark Halkola, Christa Gardner, Christina Gardner, Aaron Janke, and Don Wareham.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke, to approve the agenda, with the removal of items a. Hubbell Water Leak Follow-Up and b. Wellhead Protection Plan – update, both by Traverse Engineering, as they were done at the Utility Meeting. AVIF

Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke, to accept the minutes from the February 12, 2025, Board Meeting. AVIF

No movement on the Financial Reports as they will be discussed in detail at the upcoming Special Budget Meetings.

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

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 7:34 PM. No public comment was offered. Public Comment closed at 7:34 PM.

Reports:

- a. Assessor: No report submitted.
- b. Maintenance: Written report submitted.
- c. OT Utility Board Action items: No action items.
- d. DBVFD: No report 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 report submitted.
- j. Community Compost Site: No report submitted.
- k. Supervisor report: The Board of Review meets Thursday for the final petition hearing of 2025. Met with the township attorney on February 25. They discussed the rate we currently pay for a retainer, and the attorney suggested we pay by the hour, as we would save money. UPPCO agreements are executed, and lightbulbs are currently going in. Also discussed Derek Bradway's desire to come on to the Mason wastewater system. Wayne gave an ice rink report; keys are being turned in by all volunteers. There will be a potential meeting with the volunteers to begin formalizing the process. There is a meeting with John Cima coming up, and a schedule of gooseneck work will need to be provided for them. There will be a meeting with Mark Pieti at Upper Peninsula Water Co. next week to discuss different issues.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Water Project Plan – Updated at the utility meeting.
- b. UPPCO Street Light Project Plan – Update in supervisor's report.

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- c. Elm Avenue Gooseneck Project – Discussed at the utility meeting.
- d. FY24-25 Draft Budget Amendments – Working on. Will finalize at the upcoming Budget meetings.
- e. CD's – update – will be done soon.
- f. 2025 Township Road Projects – status – Elm Avenue is confirmed.
- g. Proposed Budget Meeting Schedule FY 25-26 – Thursday, March 20, 2025, 5PM initial meeting; Tuesday, March 25, 2025, 7PM work session; Thursday, March 27, 2025, 5PM Public Hearing; Thursday, March 27, 2025, 5:30PM Special Meeting.

**Tabled Business:**

- a. Town Hall Meetings – leave on table

**New Business:**

- a. New Business was removed from the agenda.

**Public Comment:** Public comment opened at 7:54 PM. No public comment was offered. Public comment closed at 7:55 PM.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Christina Gardner, supported by Christa Gardner to adjourn at 7:55 PM. AVIF

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 6:30 PM at the Osceola Township office Board Room.