

Burr Oak Township Board Meeting Minutes
January 6th, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT:

M. Gould, K. Wickey, A. Garl, G. Letts, R. Baker

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

VISITORS:

G. Pierucki, A. Wells, K. Sikorski

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Wickey and supported by Baker to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Baker and supported by Letts to approve and place on file the December 2nd, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Garl spoke on current grants offered from the state for election security.

Garl reported to the board on receiving correspondence from MDARD regarding the chicken barn on Big Hill Rd.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The following account balances were reported; Checking \$1,469.32 and MM \$52,224.79. A motion was made by Letts and supported by Garl to receive the Treasurer's Report and place it on file. Motion passed.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT:

D. Hutson spoke of expected rising cost of tax rates and home values. He stated with the rate of inflation the taxable rate will be going up 3.1% for 2025.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

March Board of Review Dates

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. 2025 Budget Work Session- March at 6pm, date to be set at Board Meeting in February.
- B. 2025 Budget Hearing will be combined with April Monthly Meeting on April 7th at 6pm.
- C. 2025 Board Meeting Date Changes- September's meeting will be on September 8th instead of September 1st due to Labor Day.

- D. 2025 Township Road Work- Contract requested by Road Commission to repair Witt Lake Rd (1.01 miles of Sweet Lake to County Farm Rd). Motion made by Wickey and supported by Gould to approve. A roll call vote was taken; all members voted to approve. Motion passed.

ZONING BOARD:

Wickey reported that the Zoning Board will be reviewing a Special Use Exemption for the Road Commission on Robinson Road regarding the new gravel pit.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wickey reported that Stephanie Conrad has agreed to join the Planning Commission to fill vacant seat (previously held by Rich Ultz). Motion made by Wickey and supported by Gould to appoint Stephanie Conrad to the Planning Commission. A roll call vote was taken; all members voted to approve. Motion passed.

CEMETERY:

Baker reported on an update for fencing for Sanborn Cemetery. The last quote that the Board had received for fencing was too high to move forward with. Baker will continue to look for quotes.

Gould reported that the invoice for the backhoe has been received and the backhoe is back in service for the cemetery.

Both lawnmowers are now in the shop for routine maintenance.

The Board is still searching for a pickup truck for the cemetery to haul dirt and to help with cemetery upkeep.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The electrical has now been approved in the new office and the Fire Department will be finishing up the inside of the office.

AMBULANCE COMMITTEE: Next meeting will be on 02/20/25 at 6pm.

LIBRARY: K. Sikorski provided the Board with the Library reports from the previous two months.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: A motion was made by Letts and supported by Wickey to pay the bills amounting to \$41,956.77. A roll call vote was taken; all members voted to approve. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.