

Burr Oak Township Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Gould, T. Cronkhite, G. Letts, K. Wickey ABSENT: R. Baker

VISITORS: G. Pierucki, T. Conklin, A. Good, K. Sikorski

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Wickey and supported by Gould to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Wickey and supported by Gould to approve the August meeting minutes. Motion passed.

VISITOR COMMENTS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was received from the Department of Agriculture about an approval for a chicken barn on Findley Road.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A sales tax check was received for \$35,038. The following account balances were reported: Checking - \$3843.67 & Money Market - \$164,353.66. A motion was made by Letts and supported by Cronkhite to receive the report and place it on file. Passed.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: None

AUDIT STATUS: The audit should be almost finished. The accountant recently asked for a few more items for the library to finish up. It's due the first of October.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE: After the new toilet was installed in the men's restroom, there was a gap left in the carpet around the base of the toilet. The new base was smaller than the old one. By common consent, the Board decided it wasn't a big enough issue to replace the carpet. We will leave it for now.

LEAF PICKUP: The Village agreed to work with us again this year to help with leaf pickup at the cemetery.

WEBSITE RENEWAL: Our website was renewed until August of 2026 for a cost of \$500 for the two year term.

CEMETERY: Supervisor shared details of a break-in at the cemetery garage. The cameras helped us identify the suspects who were later arrested and charged. The only thing taken at the time were the truck keys. It is our assumption they planned to return later.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The next meeting of the planning commission is October 21st.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The Supervisor and Trustee Wickey attended the last Village Council meeting to discuss the installation of the new fire hydrant in front of the fire station. The Village has no issue with the new hydrant and using our licensed contractors for the work to install and attach to the water main. The Township board discussed the cost vs. benefit of the new hydrant and felt the benefit was not there-. It will be sent back to the Fire Board for consideration - if they think it's a worthwhile project and if so, would they like to contribute to it.

AMBULANCE COMMITTEE: The next meeting of the Ambulance Committee is November 21st. They are working on a new contract. All future meetings will be held at the Sturgis Township Hall.

LIBRARY: Anne Good and Kim Sikorski shared with the Board that the Library was willing to contribute 50% of the cost of the new roof – whichever roof the Township decided was best. A motion was made by Letts and supported by Wickey to accept the Library Board's offer to pay 50% of a new metal roof with Jay's Construction doing the work as the bid approved at the last meeting. A roll call vote was taken; all voted to approve.

The supervisor thanked the Library for their cooperation on the project.

In other Library business, a new librarian/director, Marge Perech, was hired and started on September 3rd.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: A motion was made by Wickey and supported by Cronkhite to pay bills amounting to \$22,870.44. A roll call vote was taken; all voted to approve.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Tina Cronkhite, Clerk