

Jonesfield Township Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2023

PRESENT: Brown, Stanley, Nock, Foye and Parker

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Tracey Slodowski, Saginaw County Commissioner; Scott Crofoot, Jonesfield Township Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator; Danielle Briggs, Jonesfield Township Deputy Clerk; Larry and Dianne Fleming, Jonesfield Township residents.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Public Comment – None.
- III. Call to Order of the Jonesfield Township Board meeting – Supervisor Brown called the regular board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- IV. Additions to Agenda – None.
- V. Approval of meeting minutes from the December 19, 2022 Board Meeting – Trustee Nock made a motion to accept the meeting minutes. Treasurer Parker second. Carried.
- VI. Reports:
 - a. Treasurers Report - General Fund - \$57395.74; Trash Fund - \$24,044.96; Police Fund - \$32,632.15; Water Fund - \$274,018.96; ARPA Fund - \$74,238.61; Wind Energy Fund - \$10,824.22. Treasurers report made by Treasurer Parker. Motion made by Clerk Stanley to accept the Treasurer’s Report. Second by Trustee Nock. Carried.
 - b. Zoning and Code Enforcement – Scott Crofoot presented to the board a Year End Building Report listing the permits issued since May 1st when he took over as Building Inspector. Discussion was held regarding various properties in the township that may need to be inspected by Scott for zoning violations. Discussion was also held on the steps taken with violations.
- VII. Reports: Planning Commission, Waste Authority, Saga (GIS)
 - a. Planning Commission – No report
 - b. Waste Authority – No report
 - c. Saga (GIS) – No report

VIII. Informational Items:

- a. Status of Litigation against the Township filed by Rochelle Siler – Supervisor Brown reported that Mrs. Siler did not file an appeal regarding the denial of this appeal. Since nothing was filed, this case is considered closed.

IX. Discussion Items:

- a. Roundtable of the good of the Township – Supervisor Brown mentioned to the board that meetings are happening between DTE and Spicers regarding their appeal to finalize the wind project.
- b. Seriousness of the board to pursue sale of partnership of the hall – Discussion was held again regarding the sale of the township hall to the Village of Merrill. It was decided that the board members will attend the next Village Council meeting on February 13, 2023 to present this proposal to the Village.
- c. Clerk Stanley reminded Board that there will need to be a meeting in February for the Budget Workshop. It was decided by the board members to meet February 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the township hall.

X. Action Items:

- a. Motion to pay the bills: General Fund - \$14,999.90; Police Fund - \$24,669.69; Trash Fund - \$4,963.72; ARPA Fund - \$0.00; Wind Energy Fund - \$0.00; Water Fund – \$0.00. Total bills - \$44,633.31. Treasurer Parker made motion for bills to be paid. Trustee Nock second. Carried.
- b. Discussion and approval of Scott Foye land split – Discussion was held with Scott Crofoot regarding the requested land split from Scott Foye. Paperwork was handed off to Scott Crofoot to review.

- XI. Extended Public Comment – Saginaw County Commissioner Tracey Slodowski addressed the board informing them of the current items that are up for voting at the county level. Discussion was held regarding the various items presented. Mrs. Slodowski also made the board aware of the upcoming Public Forum meeting that is going to be held February 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Richland Township Office in Hemlock. State Representative Graham Filler and County Commissioners Slodowski and Boyd will be present to answer resident questions and hear concerns.

Jonesfield Township resident, Larry Fleming, had questions for the board regarding the new trash/recycling company and what changes have been made.

- XII. Next Meeting: Monday, February 20, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

XIII. Motion made by Clerk Stanley to adjourn meeting at 7:51 p.m. Second by Trustee Foye.
Carried.

Signed,

Marcia J. Stanley
Jonesfield Township Clerk