

**Klacking Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Debra Thomas at 7:00 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Debra Thomas, Tami Hickey, Carrie Reetz, Jay Weiss and Vondola Schmitt

Motion made by Carrie, 2nd by Tami, to suspend the regular order of business to allow the DNR and Colvin Heating and Cooling to present their information to the public.

GUESTS: Tressa Hubbard, Wildlife Technician, Office 989-275-5151 cell 989-329-9505, Amberly Hauger, Wildlife Biologist USDA, office 517-336-1928 Cell 517-599-2707, Mark Boersen, Office 989-275-5151 extension 2722730

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Guests from the USDA and Michigan DNR gave a presentation on CWD. They covered the cause and effects the disease has on whitetail deer, how it is transmitted, the symptoms, the management plan established by Michigan DNR, and discussed the execution of the management plan.

Brian Bulow from Colvin Heating and Cooling gave a presentation on their proposal to upgrade the lighting in the parking lot.

Sherrif Brian Gilbert came to the board after the public presentation and explained the rational for the millage on the current ballot. He explained that without the millage to support the Sherrif's department we would lose 1 lieutenant, all road patrols and 7 deputies.

AGENDA ADDITIONS: Carrie: problems with the restroom

APPROVE AGENDA: A motion by Jay, 2nd by Tami, M/C

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Tami, 2nd by Jay to approve the minutes.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Public Fund: Huntington \$100,310.84

Public Fund: Huron CB \$107,492.48

Public Fund CD's \$167,775.71 6-month CD included

Fire Truck Fund: \$25,629.48

Fire Fund: \$50,418.68

Road Fund Checking: \$467,389.49

Road Fund Savings: \$11,115.39

Tax Account: \$7,148.88

Motion made by Tami, 2nd by Jay to approve Treasurer's Report subject to audit. M/C

LIBRARY REPORT: Online auction for Sumer Reading Program raised \$864.98 and received an additional \$780 in donations.

The drywall in Skidway has been repaired and the painting has been completed. Carpet will be

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installed in mid-February. Looking for enclosed trailers that can lock to put everything from the Library during carpet installation. Also will need boxed and bodies to help pack and move everything. Down side is we won't know just when to empty the building until the carpet comes in and a date is set. We're hoping for about a week to do this.

There will be no diaper grants for 2024 so we are hoping enough of our patrons will help keep the pantries stocked.

We will be working on a revised budget for Skidway on the 22nd as we haven't heard anything from Mills Township.

FIRE BOARD REPORT:

5 fire runs this past month.

Structure Fire and PI Accident in Rose Township.

Mutual Aid with Foster Township

Outside fire in Klacking Township

Structure fire in Cumming

We have hired one new firefighter and an application is still pending for another one.

We have received 6 sets of turnout gear and are waiting for 3 more sets as well as the boots.

Still waiting for reimbursement from the state for the Treasury grant as well as a response for the AFG grant amendment we applied for.

Our thermal imaging cameras have been mounted and have been put into use 3 times in the last month.

The Board voted to approve the use of online banking with our accounts at Huron Community Bank. All accounts have been moved from Huntington.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT Commissioner Roger Mayhew gave a report. Basically, the situation with the Commissioners hasn't changed.

MTA CHAPTER MEETING: none

ASSESSORS REPORT: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Blinds: still in progress

Pavilion: no one has measured the pavilion at Cleveland Park.

Budget Workshop: January 23, 2024, 6pm at the township hall

Any other old Business: none

NEW BUSINESS:

Election Inspectors for February 27th election.

Motion to approve the proposed election inspectors made by Debbi, 2nd by Jay, M/C

Public Accuracy Test: pending

AV Ballot Box: starting January 18th box will be unlocked and light lighted.

Restrooms: one employee needs to clean up after himself.

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APPROVE AND PAY BILLS: A motion made by Tami, second by Jay to approve and pay bills. M/C

OTHER: None

ADJOURN: A motion made by Tami and seconded by Jay to adjourn. M/C

The meeting ended at 8:49 pm

Respectfully Submitted by,

Vondola Schmitt, Clerk