

September 12, 2023

The Rich Township Board met at the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6 pm. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance. David Scheurer opened the meeting with prayer.

Members Present: Chittick-Harvey, Curell, Mohr, Kester, Scheuer. Members Absent: None.

Visitors: Jack & Joan Knowlton, Dan Hurd, Ron Gromak, Karen Curell, Keith & Marianne Fleckenstein, Mike & Rosie Papiez, Mark Jaruzzel, Jeff Cratur, Tom Sansote & Gary Harvey.

Motion by Curell, supported by Chittick-Harvey to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Curell, supported by Mohr to accept into record the minutes of the August meeting as drafted. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Scheuer, supported by Mohr to accept into record the Treasurers' Report as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Scheuer, supported by Chittick-Harvey to pay monthly bills from the General Fund, \$27,812.71 with checks numbered 14022 through 14048, from the Mosquito Account, \$16,500.00 with check number (1094 Voided) 1095, and from the Cemetery Fund \$977.32 with checks numbered 1210 & 1211. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussion and motion by Curell, supported by Scheurer to renew the December 2023 Metro Act contract. MOTION CARRIED.

There was a discussion about the emergency alert siren. The discussion was tabled for a future meeting.

Kester informed the board about the location of the early voting location in accordance with the 9 days of early voting with Proposal 2022-2. Early voting will be held at the Deerfield Township Hall.

There was discussion about renewing our current Assessor's contract; there was a motion by Curell with support by Kester. MOTION CARRIED.

Public comments were led by Mike Papiez speaking about mosquito spraying issues. There was a discussion about the issues involving several present members. It was proposed that it is an exceptionally bad year for mosquitos due to extremely wet weather and spraying restrictions. Recommendations to be patient and continue to call Mosquito Control as needed to further facilitate better spraying.

There was discussion about the property at 8462 Rich Rd. becoming a growth operation. It appears that it is a forelosure. No known growth operation at this time.

Tom Sansote spoke about several issues at the cemetery – moved headstones, grass blown onto stones, a complaint made by Tammy Levelle on Facebook. Scheuer is going to look into it further.

There was discussion about updating our web site and buying the domain names (.org & .gov) for our township. There was a motion by Scheuer & supported by Kester, for Dan Hurd and Cindy Chittick-Harvey to work together to revamp the web site and purchase those domain names.

There were 3 zoning permits issued since the last meeting: Fahrija Muminovic 2604 Ducker Road for a 48 x 30 Pole Barn; Gene Bonino 592 Murphy Lake Road for a 40 x 30 Pole Barn; Lonny Day 8359 Mowatt Road for a lean-to 24 x 24 attachment to his pole barn.

Motion by Curell, supported by Chittick-Harvey to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Tricia Kester, Clerk

David Scheuer, Supervisor