

Ellsworth Township

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025

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Supervisor Todd Charles called the meeting to order @ 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Supervisor Todd Charles, Treasurer Kimberly Pendley, Clerk Brittany Carlson, Deputy Clerk Connie Holmes, Trustees Patrick Chachulski, James Bacon

Members Absent: None

Visitor's Present: Sheriff Rich Martin

Chachulski made a motion to accept the agenda dated December 9, 2024, 2nd by Pendley. All in favor, Motion Carried.

Public Comment- Sheriff Rich Martin updates the council on county happenings.

The Financial report dated January 2025 was given with the following balances: General Fund \$130,995.07; ARPA Fund \$25,461.59; Tax Account \$177,416.52; Fire Operating Account \$66,690.66; Fire Equipment Account \$189,649.46; Fire Hall Debt \$10,602.14; Township Roads Account \$100,280.31; Nichoson CD \$3,132.24. Total of all accounts \$704,227.99. A motion was made by Chachulski, 2nd by Carlson to approve the financial statement as presented. –Roll Call Vote- Yes-Carlson, Chachulski, Bacon Pendley, Charles –No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chachulski motioned to accept the budget amendment. Decrease assessor (\$1,100) from \$4,073 to \$2,973.60. Increase Election \$1,100 from (\$420.16) to \$679.84. 2nd by Carlson. –Roll Call Vote- Yes-Carlson, Chachulski, Pendley, Charles, Bacon–No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Bills-Consumers Energy \$56.61; Verizon \$171.13; Summit Digital \$165.00; LOSB \$30.00; Cadillac Accounting \$120.00; Election Source \$3,499.50; Amazon \$119.00; Shawn Dagen \$14,000.00; Lake County Treasurer \$2,257.50; Coyne \$552.83. Charles made a motion to pay the bills, 2nd by Chachulski –Roll Call Vote- Yes- Chachulski, Charles, Bacon, Pendley, Carlson. –No- None. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board of Review will be held on March 4, 12(9-3), 14(3-9) at Newkirk Township Hall. Chachulski made a motion to adopt the Resolution to set an alternative date for the 2025 March Board of Review First Public Meeting, 2nd by Carlson. –Roll Call Vote- Yes-Carlson, Chachulski, Pendley, Bacon, Charles –No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chachulski made a motion to allow the township assessor to order stamps and envelopes 2nd Carlson. –Roll Call Vote- Yes-Carlson, Chachulski, Pendley, Bacon, Charles –No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

In need of a caretaker for all the cemeteries.

Tentative date for Area Cleanup is August 23rd.

Bacon has been in contact with Great Northern Lawn Service trying to figure out the outstanding bill from last year. The council feel it was an incomplete job and the bill was paid for the work done. Carlson is looking into the correspondence and contract. Will discuss further next meeting.

A motion was made by Chachulski, 2nd Charles to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm. All in favor! Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:48pm

Pendley presented the proposed budget.

Budget meeting will be held on March 10th at 6:00pm

Brittany Carlson Ellsworth Township Clerk