

## White Oak Township Board Meeting April 8, 2024

The April 8, 2024 meeting of the White Oak Board was called to order by Supervisor Dorwin Marshall at 7 p.m. In attendance were: Supervisor-Dorwin Marshall, Treasurer-Brigitte Doxtator, Clerk-Leela Vernon, Trustee-Diane Graf, Trustee-John Kemler, Katrina Griffith, Dean Leavitt, Richard Morrison, Allan Baker, Brian Baker, and Paul McAdams. Trustee Graf lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Trustee Kemler, seconded by Treasurer Doxtator to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Kemler, seconded by Trustee Graf to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Katrina Griffith gave her report. She requested that the board go into closed session at the end of the meeting,

Katelyn Risner had contacted the Township to let us know that the fire department would like to hold an Open House for White Oak Township residents. There has been a date set for May 18, 2024. There will be food, games and a fire truck here. The only question the board had was the issue of insurance. Katelyn was going to talk to John Beck and let us know. A motion was made by Trustee Graf, seconded by Treasurer Doxtator to approve her request to hold an open house on May 18, 2024. Motion carried.

The Board received two (2) bids to repair the walking path in the Township park. One was from Dean Leavitt to cap the existing pathway for \$78,000.00. The other bid was from McKearney to repair the spots that need repair for \$39,000.00. It was suggested that we contact McKearney to see if we could get a quote from them to cap the pathway. Richard Morrison said he would contact them.

The Planning Commission had approved sending the Noise Ordinance and Residential Gun Range Ordinance to the Township Board. After in depth discussion it was the general consensus that the Noise Ordinance should not be passed. Trustee Kemler made a motion to decline the Noise Ordinance, seconded by Supervisor Marshall. Motion carried.

The next issue of the Residential Gun Range Ordinance was brought up. The main concerns were the regulations on the size of the backstops. A motion was made by Trustee Graf, seconded by Treasurer Doxtator to send the draft Residential Gun Range Ordinance back to the Planning Commission. Trustee Kemler stated he didn't feel that there was a need to have McKenna at that meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment was opened up. Trustee Graf stated that Monroe's Rubbish would have a dumpster (8' wide x 22' long x 6' deep) in the Township Parking Lot for up to 14 days so residents could dispose of tires. The cost for this service is \$1,000.00. It was mentioned that Stockbridge Township is having a clean-up day and also that Mason has one at the fairgrounds. Treasurer Doxtator said she would call Mason and check on that.

Richard Morrison also stated that he feels that the residents of the Township are not being made aware of the dates and times of meetings. They are posted on the board on the front of the building and published in the Lansing State Journal. Other options were discussed.

A motion was made by Trustee Graf, Seconded by Trustee Kemler to pay bills as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Kemler made the motion to close open session and open closed session to discuss a zoning issue. The motion was seconded by Trustee Graf. Motion carried.

Closed Session: Discussion was held regarding a Township zoning issue.

A motion was made by Trustee Kemler, seconded by Trustee Graf to approve the decision of closed session and to close the Closed Session and re-open Open Session. Motion carried.

Supervisor Marshall adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Leela A. Vernon, Clerk