

White Oak Township Board Meeting July 8, 2024

The July 8, 2024 meeting of the White Oak Board was called to order by Supervisor Dorwin Marshall at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were: Supervisor Dorwin Marshall, Treasurer-Brigitte Doxtator, Clerk-Leela Vernon, Trustee-Diane Graf, Trustee-John Kemler, Zoning Administrator Katrina Griffith, Richard Morrison, Ashley Andersen, Allen Baker, Meg Willis-Redfern, Tom Brimhall, and Sam Curtis. Trustee Graf lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Trustee Kemler, seconded by Trustee Graf to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

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

Zoning Administrator Katrina Griffith gave her report. She was asked the status of the Lewis issue on Searls Road. She stated that the Health department is involved due to their issues with the well and septic tank/field, therefore, the Township cannot issue a permit.

The Planning Commission had voted to send the Residential Gun Ordinance to the Township Board, which is basically an ordinance to establish guidelines to safely practice target shooting. The ordinance stated a minimum size and proper materials for a backstop, which would provide a safe shooting environment for all persons involved, including neighbors on adjoining properties. Trustee Graf made the motion to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission with amendments as follows: To remove Section (D) *Outdoor ranges may be operated only during the hours between 10:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Further, no Outdoor Gun Range shall operate after dusk, even if the sun sets before 9:00 p.m. Also in section (E) (ii) Change the setback minimum from 100 feet to 25 feet. Seconded by Clerk Vernon. Motion carried.

We discussed the bids for repairs to the Township Building. We received bids from Chad Minix (\$1,700) and the painter from Twisted Antler (\$2200) to power wash and paint the 14 tables in the south pavillion. A motion was made by Trustee Graf, seconded by Clerk Vernon to accept the bid submitted by Chad Minix. Motion carried. We received bids from Joe Scheppe (\$1,500) and Chad Minix (\$1,650) to power wash and prep deck, rails and deck skirt. A motion was made by Trustee Graf, seconded by Clerk Vernon to approve the bid submitted by Joe Scheppe. Motion carried. A motion was made by Trustee Graf, seconded by Clerk Vernon to approve the bid from Joe Scheppe (\$400) to install quarter round trim in the hall with the new epoxy floor. Motion carried. We received bids to remove existing rotting wrap on 10 posts and install PVC wraps, one from Joe Scheppe and on from Chad Minix. Chad's quote included replacing all posts which is not necessary so we will ask Chad to give us another quote.

It was stated that the tax bills were sent out along with the newsletter.

The Public Accuracy Test for the August 6 Primary Election will be Monday, July 22, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Clerk Vernon stated that we received a new tabulator after she had applied for a grant.

Public Comment was opened up. Richard Morrison stated that the repairs to the park play equipment should be taken care of this week. He also stated that the photo cell on the light to the flag is on all the time and needs attention. Mr. Morrison also stated that there was no public comment time allowed when the gun ordinance was being voted on and that he did not feel there was a need for the ordinance.

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

Supervisor Marshall adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Leela A. Vernon, Clerk