

Township of Bloom
Monthly Board Meeting
February 8, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Call to Order: Chairman Morse called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman Wayne Morse Jr
Supervisor Stuart Miller
Supervisor Jerry Crotsenberg
Clerk Shelly Schweiger
Treasurer Lora Hynek

Delegations or Citizens:

Earl Wallace
Kathy Fanta

Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS LAW –

1. The board was informed that the notice was posted in the three locations (West Lima, Bloom City and the Town Hall).

REVIEW AND ADOPT AGENDA –

1. No Additions or Changes – Supervisor **Crotsenberg** moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Miller. Motion carried unanimously

Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Lora Hynek dropped off reports to be reviewed with the following balances:

- a. General Checking and Cash on Hand \$4,418.98
- b. Money Market – General \$224,081.22
- c. Savings Account \$40,457.39
- d. Capital Reserve Fund - \$116,900.70
- e. Money Market – Tax \$379,849.68
- f. Accounts Receivable - \$1,570.00
- g. CD - \$0.00

Supervisor Miller made a motion to accept the treasurers report as presented. Supervisor Crotsenberg seconded the motion and motion carried 3-0

1. County Board Report - Mary informed Wayne that they have formed a committee for the Campus.
2. Patrolman Report – Nothing New
3. Road and Bridges Report – Tar Hollow cost share was completed by Wayne and paperwork is in process. Roads have been posted.
4. Delegations/Citizens to Address to Board – Nothing
5. Set Next Meeting Date/Time: March 12 at 7:00 p.m.
6. Equipment – Motion was made by Jerry to send the tractors instrument cluster in and have it gone over for \$319.00, Mack truck has a light on that says that it needs serviced. Earl has checked with the county and they have a computer that you can hook it up to to see if it will regenerate. Earl will find out the charge and will take it down to the county shop (this will be cheaper than taking it to LaCrosse).
7. Garbage / Recycling Center – County will be doing a clean-up and they are working on getting this organized. They are unsure if the Recycling Grant was submitted by Carla before she left the county.
8. Fire & EMS –
 - a. Yuba – An EMR in Yuba is complaining about Kickapoo Rescue Squad and would like for our township to not let them in. All other places are more than happy with Kickapoo Rescue Squad. No changes will be made.
 - b. Richland Center – Nothing new
 - c. LaFarge – Jerry made a motion for a donation for the Rescue Squad in the amount of \$500.00 and Stuart Miller made a second and motion carried. Annual banquet is coming up and RSVP's need to be made.
 - d. Kickapoo Rescue Squad – Nothing New
9. Old Business –
 - a. Website Update – Application was submitted for the second time in October. Lora needs to resubmit the application for a third time as the dot gov place has lost our application.
 - b. Poll Worker Oath of Office – WTA contacted and how we are doing it is fine.
 - c. Computer Costs and Software Training – Lora has started to look at computers and we have until December before we really need to do a purchase. Lora has not gotten any information as to what the new tax program is going to require. Lora will come back with what she finds closer to end of year.
 - d. Interest on accounts, comparison/banks/credit union – Jerry made a motion to put \$25,000.00 into a 6-month CD at Richland County Bank, \$25,000.00 into a 11-month CD at Farmers State Bank, and \$25,000.00 into a 15-month CD at Citizens First Bank, Stuart seconded the motion and motion carried.
 - e. Correct wage increases to correct the recycling and garbage person from \$10.00 to 15.00 per hour.
10. New Business –
 - a. Mail box damages – Patrolman contact residence and put in a new or existing post.
 - b. Electric Grease Gun – Tabled until next meeting to get a list put together for Nelson's Sales Fair.
 - c. Diesel Fuel contract – Jerry made a motion to contract with Vesbach Oil and Propane for 1500 Gallons of off-road Diesel and 1000 Gallons of On-road Diesel. Paid in full with signing of contract. Stuart would like to see us pay 10% down and get interest on our money. Jerry seconded the change by Stuart and motion carried.

- d. Cleaning and painting porch – Gail Wallace would do the painting and the township would purchase the paint. Motion was made by Jerry to have the volunteers paint the porch with the township purchasing the paint and Stuart seconded the motion and motion carried.
 - e. Reviewing old documents for disposal – Tabled until next meeting
 - f. Board of review training – Wayne has signed up and Jerry is planning on signing up.
- 11.** Approve and Pay Bills – Pay Bills - Clerk Schweiger handed out the paid bills from the previous month and the current bills to be approved by the board. Supervisor Miller made the motion to pay the monthly bills with a 2nd from Supervisor Crotsenberg and the motion carried.
- 12.** Audit Books – Stuart, Jerry and Wayne audited all the books (added the receipts/deposits and subtracted the disbursement/withdrawals). All accounts balanced – book and reconciliation sheets were signed by all board members.

Motion was made by Supervisor Crotsenberg to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m. and it was seconded by Supervisor Miller, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by

Shelly Schweiger, Town Clerk