

WARREN TOWNSHIP – PUBLIC MEETING

September 19, 2022

Board Members Present: Lisa Lowe, Jerry Barber, Denny Allen, Dawn Clark, Robin Lott, and Linda Anthony.

Absent: Lyndsy Bock.

Public: Diane Babcock, Matt Dillon, Dawn VanBlarcom, Daryl Parker, Alan Bills, and Shirley Morrison.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor, Denny Allen at 6:30PM.

08/15/2022 general meeting minutes were presented. Lisa Warner made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented. Denny Allen 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

Dawn Clark presented the treasurer reports for August 2022. No comments or concerns. Report will be filed for audit. Dawn Clark inquired about closing the Huntington Bank accounts. Linda Anthony and Dawn Clark will work on this.

Old Business:

We need to get a committee formed and get the public's input to come up with a plan to spend the Coronavirus monies that the township has received. So far, we have heard that a playground at the township hall would be nice. A few other suggestions that we have heard are clean up the township hall property, install a small playground, additional road work and internet to residents. Denny Allen did mention that Midland County has a committee formed, Lyndsy Bock is following progress for us with this committee to come up with a plan to get internet to remote parts within Midland County, Warren Township is included in this area.

Linda Anthony is still working to wrap up the details on the EGLE tire drive.

New Business:

Denny Allen made a motion to set the 2022 requested millage at 1.3753. Jerry Barber 2nd the motion and all were in favor. Note – the fire millage expired the end of 2021.

Board Reports:

Library Board – Linda Anthony reported that the audit was completed and went well. Summer reading program is wrapped up and Linda Anthony has a book from the library on what the duties of being on the board are. Next meeting is 09/20/2022 at 7:00 PM.

Fire Board – Jerry Barber reported that the meeting was cancelled. Next meeting will be 11/02/2022.

Zoning/Planning Board – No report. Next meeting will be held on 10/3/2022 at 6:30 PM.

Township Code Authority – Jerry Barber handed out a letter from a Warren Township resident regarding the issues he had with permits. Jerry made copies and asked the board to read and review. For the month of August, the following permits were issued: (2) mechanical, (3) plumbing, (3) building, & (5) electrical permits. Next meeting will be 09/29/2022 at 5:00 PM at the Midland County Services Building.

Public Comment:

Alan Bills asked if any of the Coronavirus funds could be used to get the township residents internet. Denny Allen stated that we could, but we may not have to due to what the Midland County Broadband Committee is working on. However, it's just in the planning stages.

Shirley Morrison was present. As a resident of Warren Township, she wanted to know why we do not have a blight ordinance? She will be putting her home up for sale soon and is concerned that the condition of neighboring properties may alter a potential buyer's "dream" home. Lisa Lowe mentioned that years ago when June Herkel was on the board there was a blight ordinance. Denny Allen said he would ask the planning commission to discuss presenting a blight ordinance. Vaughn Jenkins asked if there was one at the County level? Not that we are aware of.

Dawn Clark made a motion to pay the bills. Lisa Lowe 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

Denny Allen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 PM.

Linda S. Anthony
Warren Township Clerk