WARREN TOWNSHIP – PUBLIC MEETING September 18, 2023

Board Members Present: Blaine Yeager, Emily Burgess, Linda Anthony, Denny Allen, Lyndsy Bock and Robin Lott. Absent – Jerry Barber.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Present: please see the attached sign in sheet.

Denny Allen, Supervisor – called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

08/21/2023 regular meeting minutes were presented. Denny Allen made a motion to approve. Lyndsy Bock 2^{nd} the motion, all were in favor.

Treasurer's report for month ending 08/31/2023 was presented and. Reports will be filed for audit,

Old Business:

Lyndsy Bock and Linda Anthony are working on verifying the amounts received.

New Business:

Linda Anthony made a motion to set the 2023 tax rate request / millage to 1.3753. Denny Allen 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

Denny Allen made a motion to approve the PA116 request from Kevin & Kimberly Clarke. Lyndsy Bock 2nd the motion and all were in favor.

Linda Anthony discussed the early voting site agreement that the Midland County clerk's office presented at their last meeting. Linda Anthony will get clarification on if it's \$5000.00 per year or only during federal/state election years. Linda Anthony will also send to the board for their reviews and send to our lawyer for review. Tabled until October 2023 public meeting.

Linda Anthony has been working with and on the Pontem cemetery software. When we originally purchased the software, we knew there may be future upgrades that we would want. Rough estimate to upload the survey of the cemetery and build the map is \$15,000.00. Pontem will give us a solid estimate once Linda Anthony can locate the survey that was done a few years ago.

Vaughn Jenkins let Linda Anthony know that there was some damage done at the cemetery and a police report was filed. Linda Anthony will forward the pictures supplied. Please advise if you want an estimate to repair and/or if a claim should be filed.

Denny Allen made a motion to approve the amendments to the ordinances per the Planning Commission recommendations, ordinance #1-23. Discussions were held that the township board had not seen the proposed ordinances, as they were not supplied previously. Denny Allen noted that they were on the website for review. Lyndsy Bock supplied a copy to the board to review. Blaine Yeager wanted some clarifications on the lighting and how it pertains to business and security. Emily Burgess had some concerns regarding fencing and electrical services for farms. Lyndsy Bock was able to share some insight regarding the presentation from Jennifer Stewart at the Spicer Group. Lyndsy

Bock 2nd the motion and all were in favor. Please see the attached copy of ordinance #1-23 for your use.

Board Reports:

<u>Library Board</u>: Linda Anthony had no report. Next meeting will be 09/19/2023 at 7:00 PM.

<u>Fire Board</u>: Blaine Yeager reported that the month in the month of August there were 4 Medical, 1 grass, 1 vehicle and 2 rescue runs. The parking lot has been postponed until next year, generator will be arriving shortly. Next meeting will be held 10/04/2023 at 7:00 PM.

Zoning/Planning Board: Lyndsy Bock reported that the public hearing was held on 08/28/2023 at 6:30 PM. Next meeting will be 10/02/2023 at 6:30 PM.

<u>Township Code Authority:</u> Jerry Barber was not present to report. Next meeting is 09/28/2023 at 5:00 PM.

Public Comment:

Gene Rydman wanted to remind all that there is additional land that can be utilized at the cemetery, it just needs to be cleared.

Kim Haller asked is we found a way to grandfather in the existing properties to adhere to the amended ordinances. Denny Allen stated at this time, no.

Daryl Parker asked for a copy of the amended ordinances. Lyndsy Bock supplied them to him.

Misc. Items:

Denny Allen made a motion to pay the bills. Blaine Yeager 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

Denny Allen made a motion to adjourn at 7:06PM.

Linda S. Anthony Warren Township Clerk