

Tentative:

**Pokagon Township Board Minutes**

Approved: X

**May 10, 2023**

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 by Supervisor Linda Preston. Roll call of members showed the following members present: Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills.

Motion made by Bob and second by Kevin to approve the April 12, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jeremiah Jones: He reported on the county health department meeting. He will be holding a work shop meeting for the commissioners.

**REPORTS**

Supervisor: Attended Par Plan meeting.

Clerk: Had a low turnout for the May 2<sup>nd</sup> School election.

Treasurer: Kevin Young reported general fund balance at \$849,040.94 as of April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. New computer was installed. Getting ready for summer taxes.

Zoning Administrator: Zero permits issued for April.

Blight Enforcement: Never ending issues. Continuing to tag cars as he is out inspecting.

Building Inspector: Four permits issued for April for a total of \$106.75.

Cemetery Board: Had a work day on May 6<sup>th</sup>. The M-40 Hustlers 4-H club cleaned up trees at the evergreen cemetery. Water is turned on, road was graded, and flags will be set for the veterans at the Sumnerville Cemetery. Bob made a motion to buy pizza for the 4-H kids. Gary second. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Fire Departments:

Pokagon – 2 calls in Pokagon for April. They are getting new software soon and were able to purchase new thermal cameras through a grant they applied for.

Indian Lake – 2 calls in Pokagon for April.

Zoning Board of Appeals: No report

Planning Commission: Held a public hearing on May 3<sup>rd</sup> for a rezone. Will have quarterly meeting and public hearing on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Ambulance:

Pride Care – Had 16 calls for April.

SMCAS – Had 1 call for April.

Assessor – Working on deeds and principal residence for summer tax bills.

Transfer Station – Is open on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. Has been very busy.

Volunteer Work – 4-H Club cleaned up Evergreen Cemetery, Indian mounds mowed, Sumnerville Cemetery Road was graded.

Correspondence: I & M hearing, Par Plan news.

Website – Received a mockup of our new website, working with them on a few changes. Shumaker group is working on our new emails. Bob made a motion to purchase antivirus protection for all computers needed through Pathfinder Networks, Kevin second. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried

Bills – The total amount of bills for April is \$24,068.05. Gary moved to accept the list of bills presented, Bob second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

**ARPA Reporting Complete:** Has been completed for 2023.

**ARPA Funds:** Bob made a motion to use ARPA funds for the development of an auxiliary parking lot. Bob second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Motion carried.

**MTA Conference Report:** Linda, Kevin, Bob and Christina attended MTA Conference the week of April 17<sup>th</sup>. Election update, solar farms, broad band, and planning commission are just some of the classes attended.

New Business:

**Roads:** Linda made a motion to sign road contract for Hampshire, Woodland drive, Klumbis (Gravel), Klumbis, Thomson Road, and markings contracts, Kevin second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Motion carried.

**Mowing lot at Pokagon fire station:** Bob made a motion to have Jessie Bement mow the lot next to the Pokagon fire station for the year for the same price as last year. Gary second. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried

Gary made a motion to adjourn, second by Kevin. All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

Christina Davis - Clerk

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