

Tentative:

**Pokagon Township Board Minutes**

Approved: X

**June 14, 2023**

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday, June 14, 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 Gary to approve the May 10, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Brad Paquette: Stopped in to introduce himself and talked about the current issues he is working on.

**REPORTS**

Supervisor: Attended SWMPC and Par Plan meetings. Also will be attending Market Van Buren Awards.

Clerk: Working on Audit tasks, with Schumaker group on getting the website design done. Midwest energy will be out this month to switch over our internet and phone lines. Received a reimbursement check from Dowagiac Schools for the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Special election.

Treasurer: Kevin Young reported general fund balance at \$736,788.12 as of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Summer tax bills are ready. We received a dividend check from Par Plan for \$147.66.

Zoning Administrator: One permit issued for May.

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

Building Inspector: Four permits issued for May for a total of \$626.50.

Cemetery Board: Flags were set for the veterans at the Sumnerville Cemetery and then removed.

Fire Departments:

Pokagon – 7 calls in Pokagon for May. Will be holding another raffle to raise money.

Indian Lake – 1 call in Pokagon for May.

Zoning Board of Appeals: No report

Planning Commission: Held a quarterly meeting on June 6<sup>th</sup> and a public hearing. Will meet again on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Ambulance:

Pride Care – Had 16 calls for May.

SMCAS – Had 10 call for May.

Assessor – Got things ready for the summer tax bills. Has been working on splits.

Transfer Station – Is open on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. Will be closed on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Volunteer Work – Veterans flags were picked up from the Sumnerville Cemetery.

Correspondence: I & M hearing, and Semco.

Website – Received a mockup of our new website, working with them on a few changes.

Bills – The total amount of bills for May is \$120,109.61. 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:

**Bell:** Hear from Barb Cook that the bell could be placed on township hall property. Will think about if that is what we would like to do.

**Rezoning:** Kevin made a motion to accept the planning commission suggestion to rezone from a C-1 to a C-2 for a commercial Auto shop. Roll call vote: Ayes – Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Motion carried.

New Business:

**Public Hearing Pricing:** Work on adjusting the pricing to accommodate the cost.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Christina Davis - Clerk

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