

**Palmyra Township  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2018**

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Supervisor James Isley at the Palmyra Community Room.

Members present: James Isley, Matt Koester, Perry Pooley, Steve Papenhagen, and Chris Whited

Members absent: None

Audience Attendance: 11

Motion Pooley, support Koester to approve agenda as amended - *Motion carried.*

- Add to *New Business*: Wind Energy Moratorium
- Add to *Old Business*: Township Building Ceiling

**Public Comment:**

- Commissioner Bob Knoblauch reported that Commissioner Dave Stimpson is the 2018 Commission Chair and Terry Collins is the Vice Chair. Commissioner Knoblauch also commented that with the passing of the County wide millage proposal in November 2017, projects such as renovation of the sheriff's office will be reconsidered. The jail bonds will be paid off in 2018, and the judicial building bonds will be paid off in 2019. This will allow for bonds to be acquired for renovation of the sheriff's office.
- Craig Dunham reported on the current state of the health care system and how it is affecting emergency medical services.
- Dave Pixley inquired about Township training.

**Minutes & Reports:**

- Minutes: presented by Clerk Whited
- Financial: report presented by Treasurer Koester
- Fire & EMS: report presented by Paul Rohlan
- Code Officials:
  - Code Enforcement: report presented by Clerk Whited
  - Building Inspector: report presented by Clerk Whited
  - Electrical Inspector: report presented by Clerk Whited
  - Mechanical Inspector: report presented by Clerk Whited
  - Plumbing Inspector: report presented by Clerk Whited
- Planning Commission: report presented by Trustee Pooley

Motion Papenhagen, support Pooley to approve the December 14<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting minutes as written and place on file - *Motion carried.*

Motion Papenhagen, support Pooley to approve all reports on hand and place on file - *Motion carried.*

**Communications:**

- Land Splits: None
- FOIA requests: None
- Cemeteries: Clerk Whited reported that piles of brush and dirt in the Main Cemetery need to be removed.
- Roads & Bridges: Most projects are completed.
- BOR Training: Board of Review training will be held on February 8<sup>th</sup> at the Human Services Building in Adrian.
- PA0 700-8011-00: Supervisor Isley reported that the process of clearing the liens off the property deed continues.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Township Building Ceilings: Steve Papenhagen will inspect building ceiling.

**New Business:**

- PTFD –
  - Employment applications: n/a
  - Probation terminations: n/a
  - Resignations: n/a
- Poverty Exemption Resolution: Motion Koester, support Papenhagen to adopt the 2018 Poverty Exemption Resolution. **Roll call vote:** Koester – Yes, Whited – Yes, Papenhagen – Yes, Isley – Yes, Pooley – Yes *Motion Carried*
- River Raisin Watershed Council:
  - Membership: Motion Isley, support Pooley to pay the RRWC membership dues of \$208.00 – *Motion Carried*
  - Representatives: Motion Isley, support Pooley to appoint Supervisor Isley as the RRWC delegate and Dave Pixley as the alternate delegate – *Motion Carried*.
- Cemetery Commission appointments: Discussed with no action taken at this time.
- Man-Nor Farms water rates: Discussed with no action required at this time.
- Cemetery Grounds Keeping Contract: Motion Isley, support Pooley that the contracted job of cemetery grounds keeping is offered to Aden Porter for \$13,000, and if Aden does not accept the contact, the Supervisor is given the authority to advertise the grounds keeping position in the local papers – *Motion Carried*.
- Roads considered for repair: Motion Papenhagen, support Pooley to authorize Supervisor Isley to request estimates of the road projects submitted to the Board by the Lenawee County Road Commission – *Motion Carried*.
- Wind Energy Moratorium: Motion Papenhagen, support Isley to place a twelve (12) month moratorium on commercial wind energy turbines. **Roll call vote:** Isley – Yes, Pooley – Yes, Koester – Yes, Whited – Yes, Papenhagen – Yes *Motion Carried*.

**Bill Payment**

Motion Papenhagen, support Koester to pay all Twp. and PTFD bills as presented – *Motion Carried*.

**Adjournment**

Motion Pooley, support Koester to adjourn at 9:01 p.m. - *Motion carried*

APPROVED

Next Regular Meeting will be held on February 8, 2018, 7:00 pm, at the Palmyra Township Community Room.

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*JAMES ISLEY, SUPERVISOR*

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*Christine Whited, CLERK*

*THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED FEBRUARY 8, 2018, AS WRITTEN.*