

WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

October 7, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Gatlin called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. *Present:* Gatlin, Fritz, Munn, and Thole. *Absent:* Bennett.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda moved by Fritz. Seconded by Thole.

Motion carried unanimously. 4:0

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Munn reviewed the Treasurer's Report.

▪ General Savings:	\$ 875,849.54
▪ General Checking:	\$ 406,839.57
▪ Tax Checking:	\$ 56,039.39
▪ Trust & Agency:	\$ 120.00
▪ Michigan Class Acct:	\$ 500,793.61

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report moved by Thole. Seconded by Fritz.

Motion carried unanimously. 4:0

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

A citizen expressed her appreciation for the North Cemetery and South Cemetery being mowed since the last board meeting. She said that the cemetery looked a lot better this month.

A separate citizen expressed her continued frustration with the upkeep of the North Cemetery and South Cemetery. Pots with artificial flowers in them were removed from the groundskeeper towards the end of September. She said this has happened two years in a row with her flowers. A discussion ensued about the cemetery rules and the groundskeeper's timeline every year.

Commissioner Gisler raised awareness of PropertyFraudAlert.com and provided literature about the free resource to the individuals attending the meeting. This resource allows individuals to be notified if a deed is filed against your property. He then provided an example from his personal life where PropertyFraudAlert.com successfully notified him of such an incident.

Commissioner Gisler also shared with the group that the County administration is exploring the prospects of acquiring a new admin building. They are considering several different options, including renovating the existing building, purchasing a vacant lot and constructing a new building, or acquiring an existing structure that is already in place.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ROAD COMMITTEE

Supervisor Gatlin informed everyone that the Road Committee was originally planning to meet this month but that it was going to have to be rescheduled. Several of the participants are farmers who are currently busy harvesting their crops. The meeting is postponed until further notice – but he anticipates the meeting will be rescheduled towards the end of the calendar year.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ZONING ENFORCEMENT

None.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

None.

FIRE AUTHORITY

The “2024 Fire Authority Audit” was not passed last month. Three members voted in favor of the audit, and three members voters in opposition to the audit. Some of the members want to change the language of the audit. They also want to change how the audit is conducted. The other members are not in agreement.

Supervisor Gatlin will continue to keep the township updated with any changes with the Fire Authority.

BOARD COMMENTS

Fritz – There is an election on 11-05-2024.

Munn – None.

Gatlin – Moving funds over to the Michigan Class Account last month allowed the township to earn nearly \$800 in interest.

Thole – SCMCII is reconfiguring their fees for next year. Additionally, Pavilion Township decided to pull out of SCMCII.

Supervisor Gatlin adjourned the meeting at 7:42PM.