

**ORANGEVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2021**

Meeting called to order 7pm. All board members present, Fire Chief Ribble, Commissioner Conner and 2 guests.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion Trustee Ribble to approve the September 7th, 2021 board meeting minutes. Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried.

Motion Trustee Ribble to approve the September 14th, 2021 special meeting minutes. Support Trustee Kraai, all ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

September receipts \$206,914.13

September disbursements \$20,700.00

September balance \$1,035,284.23

Report on file

Motion Trustee Kraai to pay \$8,452.65 and any other bills forthcoming in the month of October. Support Trustee Ribble, all ayes, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Bob Perino meadow update emails
- WAEMS Financial Statement forwarded to board
- Dept of Treasury update email for ARPA Project and Expenditure report now due April 30th, 2022.
- Attorney fee invoice for ARPA funding email (\$400)
- ARPA first installment received (\$181,547.50)
- Report of incident at old parking lot, windshield broken on vehicle
- Office issues with internet and fax line. Barry County Telephone checked phone lines of both, Merlex replaced switch box that had bad port, Adams Remco repaired fax line issues

Report on file

Supervisor Rook reported, he and Trustee Ribble attended Planning & Zoning Commission meeting regarding gravel pit on Keller Rd. Reported it was approved, no local authority to prevent it. Supervisor Rook was able to get approval of start time of operations moved from 7 am to 7:30 am as safety precaution for school bus routes. He will attend meeting Oct 6th, 10 am to see if commission will designate gravel companies must set aside monies for assisting in road maintenance.

Fire Dept Report:

Chief Ribble reported 2 fires, 2 PI Accident, 2 PD, 14 Medical for month of September.

23 Firefighters

Reported in process of moving Elkins, Belson, and Cassey Ribble into Lieutenant Officers.

Clerk Risner requested discussion on wage increase of new officers tabled until next meeting when Chief Ribble will present line adjustments to his budget that would pay for additional wages (wage increases would not take effect until Jan. 1, 2022). ARPA funds are not eligible use for payroll wages.

Chief Ribble to use portion of fire dept donation to purchase electronic CPR manikins.

Chief Ribble reported training of Richard Avery for State Certified Fire Instructor.

Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner Conner reported weed treatment at Gun Lake dam was done.

Dam inspections are occurring.

Commissioners working on strategic plan.

Public Comment: None

New Business:

Notify Bernie's second recycle bin to be removed from service effective November 1st. ** Notified by telephone 10/6/2021

Motion Trustee Ribble to amend Resolution 0321-0 for a second time. Resolution to read all township employees, in place of Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer. Support Trustee Kraai, Roll call vote, all ayes, nays none, absent none. Resolution 0321-0 Amendment 2 adopted.

Motion Treasurer Ritchie to give all township employees a 2 % wage increase as presented. Support Trustee Kraai, roll call vote, all ayes, nays none, absent none. Motion carried.

Clerk Risner to attach proposed wage increase presentation to Resolution 0321-0 Amendment 2 for reference.

Old Business:

ARPA Funding priority list compiled and begin project estimates as preliminary process.

Priority list:

- 1. Steel Roof (loss of revenue) both township hall and fire barn. Matt Ribble to get quotes**
- 2. Concrete at fire barn. Matt Ribble to get quotes (loss of revenue)**
- 3. Lighting and Security Cameras for hall and fire barn (fire barn has newly installed cameras).
Clerk Risner to check on parking lot lights from company that installed them, Supervisor Rook to check on lighting similar to area farm storage areas (loss of revenue)**
- 4. Sewer to Orangeville (infrastructure) Supervisor Rook to research**
- 5. Well at Oakhill Cemetery (infrastructure) Trustee Kraai to get quotes**
- 6. Restroom on park grounds, still being debated due to possible vandalism issues (infrastructure?)**
- 7. Dog Park (loss of revenue) Brittnee Martin to get quote**
- 8. Walking Path (loss of revenue) paved asphalt or crushed asphalt? (Upkeep?)**
- 9. GLASA request, amount undetermined at this time (infrastructure)**
- 10. WAEMS still being debated (loss of revenue, possibly COVID related?)**
- 11. Barry County Road Commission (road millage funding possibly, not ARPA funds)**
- 12. Playground rubber mulch (loss of revenue) Clerk Risner to get quote on 40 yds**
- 13. Veteran's Memorial paved area still under discussion (loss of revenue)**

Board Comment:

Motion Clerk Risner to authorize Treasurer Ritchie to move \$200,000 out of general fund and put into a CD for either 1 year or 18 months at her discretion. Support Trustee Ribble, roll call vote, all ayes, nays none, absent none. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn, meeting adjourned 8:47 pm

Unapproved Minutes

Mel Risner/Clerk