

# **ORANGEVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**MARCH 5, 2024**

Meeting called to order 7pm. All board members present, Fire Chief Ribble and 8 guests.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

Motion Trustee Ribble to approve the February 6<sup>th</sup>, board meeting minutes. Support Trustee Kraai, all ayes motion carried.

Motion Trustee Ribble to approve the February 6<sup>th</sup> and February 28<sup>th</sup> budget workshop meeting minutes. Support Trustee Kraai, all ayes, motion carried.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

February receipts \$160,897.90

February disbursements \$90,363.95

February balance \$812,619.12

Report on file

Motion Trustee Kraai to pay \$11,883.76 and any other bills forthcoming in the month of March. Support Trustee Ribble, all ayes, motion carried.

## **Correspondence:**

Motion Clerk Risner for election commission to adopt Resolution #32024 to combine Orangeville and Prairieville in the special election on May 7, 2024 for the Plainwell School District Proposal. Support Treasurer Ritchie, roll call vote; Rook-yes, Ritchie-yes, Risner-yes. Nays; none Absent; none Supervisor Rook declared the resolution adopted.

Motion Trustee Ribble to move the May 7<sup>th</sup> board meeting to May 14<sup>th</sup> due to special election on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Risner presented Presidential Primary Expenses of \$10,528.08 to be submitted to the State for reimbursement. Trustee Ribble asked number of early voters. Clerk Risner responded 85.

Motion Treasurer Ritchie to approve auditors Siegfried Crandall to conduct the year ending March 31, 2024 audit and submit to State. Support Trustee Kraai, all ayes, motion carried.

Fire Chief Ribble submitting Firefighter grant.

Propane company has merged, new name is Keystone Cooperative.

Two FOIAs from MichiganOpenTheBooks were received. Clerk will submit requested data.

Clerk Risner spoke with Barry County Planning and Zoning director McManus who stated it is not necessary for Orangeville Township to adopt their own short term rental ordinance. BCPZ is in the process of creating an ordinance and should have it in the next couple months.

Clerk Risner stated she had received a bogus email invoice from Drake Software, did not open invoice.

Report on file

## **Fire Dept Report:**

2 fires, 1 PI accident, 1 PD accident, 11 medical

Chief Ribble announced new engine is back and will be in service over next couple months.

Agreement was reached with KME to extend bumper to bumper warranty to a 3-year warranty. Clerk Risner stated Kristi Kirkman from Community Leasing was sent updated information regarding fire engine status.

Chief Ribble announced he will be retiring on June 1, 2026, allowing time to train whoever will be the new Fire Chief.

Report on file

Commissioner's Report: N/A, no report sent to Clerk

Public Comment: None

New Business:

Motion Clerk Risner for Supervisor Rook to submit Par Plan Grant to cover costs of security cameras and installation. Support Trustee Kraai, all ayes, motion carried.

Corey Ribble to supply cost estimate for security cameras and installation.

Old Business:

Discussion on request for public hearings regarding sewer authority and changes in administration.

Motion Trustee Kraai to authorize Attorney Josh Thall of Bauckham, Thall, Seeber, Kaufman & Koches to send letter to Attorney Swets regarding Gun Lake Area Sewer Authority modernization of documents. Support Clerk Risner, roll call vote; Risner-yes, Rook-yes, Ritchie-yes, Kraai-yes, Ribble-no, motion carried.

Discussion on 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Resolution. Resident Bill Null will provide updated resolution and other requested information.

Motion Trustee Kraai to table 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Resolution. Support Clerk Risner, all ayes, tabled.

Board Comment:

Clerk Risner presented board with clerk job description. Would like board to set job descriptions to include non-statutory duties if applicable.

Motion to adjourn, meeting adjourned 8:10 pm

Mel Risner/Clerk

Unapproved minutes