

**Reading Township  
Regular Meeting  
Monday May 8, 2023**

The regular meeting was called to Order by Supervisor Allan Andrews at 7:02 pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Flaugher, Andrews, Mesarosh, Gripman and Parker present

**GUESTS:** Brad Wright, Adam Mesarosh, Karen Wheeler, Gretchen Oberdick, Fred Bockelman, Gary Leininger, Doug Tripp, Ken McClellen, Maureen Miller, Kathy Mikolasczyic, Linda Burcewicz, Larry Richards, Thomas Thompson, and Harold Farris.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Mesarosh moved, Flaugher seconded to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023, regular meeting. Motion Carried (5-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Thomas Thompson, Township Attorney explained to the board the process of the ordinance of civil infractions, misdemeanors, and limited flexibility on civil matters. He also answered questions from the board and the zoning administrator.

Maureen Miller from 4190 Beach St., reported the status of the house on the south end of Long Lake (Newell St) not in good condition. Mr. Farris will check it out and send a notice.

Linda Burcewicz from 3220 Rustic Drive asked who owns the park on Cedar Dr. Also, who is responsible for cleaning up down trees.

Ken McClellen mentioned the Hillsdale County Road Commission had worked on Kellogg and Murry Drive on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

**COUNTY COMMISSION:** None

**ROAD COMMISSION:**

Gary Leininger, Hillsdale County Road Commissioner, reported the limestone spreading has started in Wright Township. Reading Township is in the middle of the list for road dust control. He was hoping the work would be done by Memorial Day but was not sure if that would happen. He told the board and guests that the Road Commission needs summer help. He reported that the new equipment is slow coming. The next Hillsdale County Road Commission meeting is Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 10:00 am.

**CEMETERY:**

Jake Lashaway was not in attendance.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Gripman mentioned that the next fire board meeting will be held on June 14, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the fire department.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

Mr. Farris reported his April report as he was having printer issues. Conversation was held on the requirement of an Amish School new building. The building is on hold now as they would have to follow State Laws.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:**

The approved minutes from January 10<sup>th</sup> and the proposed minutes from April 17, 2023, meetings were handed out. Mesarosh reported that the next Planning Commission meeting will be held on July 17, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

**LIBRARY BOARD:**

Mesarosh reported not many activities are going on until after the end of school.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND / AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE:**

**Township building Drive Approach bid results:**

Flaucher reported the driveway approach should be constructed sometime after the meeting, the contractor will be installing a temporary driveway to allow access to the building.

Mesarosh reported that the report has been filed with the State which was due by April 30, 2023.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Payment of May's Bills and Payments:**

- Mesarosh moved, Gripman seconded to approve payment of May's bills and payments in the amount of \$2,076.29. Roll Call: Parker-Yes, Gripman-Yes, Mesarosh-Yes, Flaucher-Yes, Andrews-Yes. Motion Carried (5-0)

**Resolution 2023-03:**

Ben Wheeler, township assessor, requested the board to approve the 2023 Resolution to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines. The board originally approved the 2023-02 Resolution for the Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines but did not have the necessary information.

- Flaucher moved, Gripman seconded to approve 2023-03 Resolution to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines. Motion Carried (5-0)

**FUTURE BUSINESS:**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**BOARD COMMENT:**

Flaucher reported that the Reading Community Schools will be having a election on August 8<sup>th</sup>. Mesarosh mentioned it was time to do the summer taxes which the newsletter is included. She needs any information for the newsletter as soon as possible, by May 31, 2023.

Andrews reported back to the board the Hillsdale Central 911 doesn't own the warning siren on Long Lake Road.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mrs. Wheeler reported on the Spark Grant scoring results for the first application. She is working on updating the scores and re-submitting another application.

**Next Regular Meeting will be June 12, 2023, at 7:00 pm.**

-Flaucher moved and Gripman seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried (5-0)

Meeting Adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Allan Andrews, Reading Township Supervisor

Kathy Flaughner, Reading Township Clerk