

**Bloomer Township Regular Meeting March 17, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Dan Ryan at Bloomer Township Hall, 9890 E. Carson City Rd, Carson City, MI. Present for roll call were Colleen Schneider, Tara Chapko, Dana Gonzales, Larry Hummel and Dan Ryan.

**Addition to agenda:** Hummel discussion of pairing with the Carson City Police department to the agenda under new business item D. Motion to accept agenda as amended. Carried.

**Motion** by Hummel, second by Gonzales to accept the minutes of the February 17, 2025 regular meeting as presented. Carried.

**Fire Department:** Written report. The Chief attended meetings during the month and is teaching the firefighter 2 class. Responded to 4 reported calls. Hosted the Fire Academy Students here on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Training was conducted on February 12<sup>th</sup> and the 19<sup>th</sup>. Training included maintenance and bloodborne pathogens, hazardous communications and hearing protection annual class on the 19<sup>th</sup> No personnel changes to report 16 total.

**County Commissioner:** Chris Johnston reported. February - approval to seek bids on replacing countertops in jail. Allowed prosecutor to hire his sister. March paid monthly bills with approval of Link encryption for compatible computers at the cost of \$20,000.

**Citizens Comments:** none

**Clerks Report:** Tara Chapko reported. Emailed service individuals the wind/solar ordinance. Set up Spring cleanup for May 17, 2025, 8am to noon. Worked on the budget. Motion by Schneider, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gonzales to accept report as presented. Carried.

**Motion** by Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hummel to pay bills totaling \$10336.28. Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Colleen Schneider reported. After all known bills and utilities clear available funds will be \$1,073,333.01. Motion by Chapko, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gonzales to accept report as presented. Motion carried.

**Planning Commission:** Doug was absent. Booklets arrived and handed out. The board was asked the status of wind/solar coming to Bloomer. Danny commented that several farmers attended an informational only meeting with Consumers.

**Zoning Administrator:** Tony reported. No zoning permits. Cell tower has decided on NW corner next to M57 surplus. They are gathering paperwork and information but have not filed for a permit currently.

**Cemetery Sexton/Maintenance:** Issac Torres reported. Feb 19<sup>th</sup> full burial, 20<sup>th</sup> snow removal cemetery and hall, 24<sup>th</sup> installed door handle on west entrance door and replaced furnace filters, March 2 & 5<sup>th</sup> reset electric sign (may need to hardwire) March 8 installed ballot drop box and replaced the flag, March 9 repaired the driveway, March 10 opened the cemetery for the year, March 14<sup>th</sup> trimmed trees at cemetery and hall.

**Unfinished business:** Colleen discussed the necessity to amend the 2024-2025 budget by moving funds from the government body to FICA. Hummel made the motion, Chapko supported. Motion carried.

**New Business:** Tony discussed BOR. He will be driving to Sidney as the assessors feel this is a good central location. He covered for Bushnell and will be assisting Carson City. Motion by Chapko to increase wage to \$30.00/hr., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ryan. Motion carried.

**Received** the road contracts to look over will table until April. Comments made on how well the limestone roads are holding up. Ryan is going to ask for a quote for limestone on Sessions rd. from Miner to Waldron.

**Budget** – motion by Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hummel to adopt the budget as presented. Motion Carried.

**Discussion** of meeting with the Carson Chief of police for possible contract.

**Announcements:** April Meeting will start at 8pm.

**Motion** by Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chapko for adjournment at 8:13 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Tara Chapko, clerk