

WRIGHT TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MAY 13, 2015 – 7:30PM

The following minutes were taken at the May 13th, 2015, Regular Board Meeting and are currently unapproved.

1. The Meeting was called to order with a pledge and a prayer at 7:30 P.M. by Josh Westgate. Board members present: Josh Westgate, Theresa Frank, Rick Schoenborn, and Gary Karr. Frank motioned and Schoenborn supported to excuse the absence of Tracy Worrell. Motion carried.
2. Additions to the Agenda: None
3. a. Karr motioned and Schoenborn supported the approval of the bills for \$63,345.31, and the Treasurer's report of Tax, Trust & Agency. Motion carried.
b. Budget was reviewed.
c. Karr motioned and Schoenborn supported the approval of April 8th, 2015, Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.
Schoenborn motioned and Westgate supported the approval of minutes from April, 21st, 2015, Special Meeting as written. Motion carried.
4. No public comments.
5. Frank motioned and Karr supported the Berlin Raceway request for a permit for Fireworks on 5/23, 6/16, 7/4, 8/29, 2015. With rain dates of 6/17, and 9/5/2015. Motion carried.
Jessie Triick, representing the raceway also requested an extension of practice track time on Friday, May 15, 2015, until 8:00PM. On week days the practicing is to stop at 5:00PM. Schoenborn motioned and Karr supported the approval for extended practice time, Friday, May 15, 2015, only. Motion carried.
6. Two representatives from the Coopersville Library were at the meeting to make a presentation of the library building expansion they are requesting. Drawings were shown, and information regarding the bond request for this extension was given. There will be an Election in November 2015, asking for approval of .32 mills a year.
Schoenborn asked if there may be any government grants that could help them with the extension, and they said there was not. The vote will be for the City of Coopersville, Chester, Polkton, and Wright Townships.
7. Jason Orton, from the David Chapman insurance agency came to the meeting to present and explain the renewed property and liability insurance for this year for Wright Township.

8. Soil mining permit requests for J&M Development, and Rusche Trucking, submitted by Mike Rusche, were discussed. Karr motioned to approve the soil mining permit for the Arthur Street location, and Schoenborn supported. Motion carried
Because of improper materials at the site, Karr motioned to not approve the permit for the 24th Street soil mine, and Frank supported. Motion carried.
9. Reports were given.
 - a. FIRE: There was recently a joint live training for the Fire Department, and the Sheriff's Department.
 - b. PLANNING COMMISSION: New building for Schneider Tire was approved, and the 48th Avenue property was re-zoned from industrial to community commercial.
 - c. Elections: May 5th road Elections are over and went well.
 - d. Audit: Audit is over and it went as expected.
10. Supervisor reported good news from the Road Commission. Wright Township will be getting 3.8 miles of gravel roads refinished, and 1 mile of asphalt. Possible more for our township next year.
Also it was reported that new flags for the Memorial Day Parade route have been purchased.
Some extra work has been done at the cemeteries. At the Marne Cemetery resetting stones that have fallen are being reset. At the Maple Hill Cemetery the Supervisor has begun some excavating to start a good clean-up.
11. Board Concerns: Karr would like to see the township's Sign Ordinance simplified or cancelled. He feels it is doing more harm than good. After some discussion it was decided that Karr would speak with the Planning Commission to get their opinion on the subject, and report back to the Board.
12. Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM

Respectfully submitted by

Theresa Frank Wright Township Clerk