

SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP
Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday October 1, 2024

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Mike Helman called the meeting to order on Tuesday October 1, 2024 at 7:00pm.

The meeting is paused in order for the Planning and Zoning meeting to commence.

Attendance

Present Members

Chairman Mike Helman Vice Chairman Brandon Geyen

Supervisor Ryan Nelson Supervisor Andy Christensen

Absent Members

Sandy Forsman

Clerk-Treasurer Alana Paumen

16 guests signed in

Open Forum

-Loren Hafterson states that he attended a meeting three months prior and expressed concerns about a neighboring property, claiming there hasn't been any action taken since.

-James Theisen informs the board that there was a boat lift dumped in the ditch three years ago and offers to remove it for scrap.

Approval of Agenda

-Motion by Nelson to approve the agenda, second by Christensen. Carried 4-0

Approval of Past Minutes

-Motion by Nelson to approve 09/17/24 minutes, second by Christensen. Geyen abstained. Carried 3-0

Clerk-Treasurer Report

-Audit preliminary information has been entered into the caseware portal and a box of documents was brought to the CPA. Field work is scheduled for Nov 12-15.

-Proposed Levy Certification forms were submitted with an increase of 3 percent for both funds in accordance with the annual meeting approval.

-Election judges are scheduled, including five new judges. Picking up the equipment tomorrow and the testing will be performed soon.

- August recycling report was presented
- Centerpoint Energy rate increase notice

Maintenance Report

- Carr's Tree Service estimate was \$12,000. Motion by Helman to approve up to \$15,000 for tree trimming by Carr's Tree Service, second by Geyen. Carried 4-0
- Baker Ave Culvert lowering project was presented, Geyen expressed concerns about liability due to altering the flow of water. Motion made by Nelson to finish the project as needed and to address liability concerns with the attorney, second by Helman. Not carried 2-2.
- Chevrolet 1500 tire replacement was tabled due to the possibility of replacing the vehicle.
- A hydraulic study is in the budget for 2025. Once completed the study should be good for 5 years. Estimates will be gathered for the study.

Old Business

- Haack Property
Brandon Geyen, Chris Klein, and John Haack had a meeting on 09/10/24 at the property to clarify the expectations of the township. Haack gave Geyen and Klein permission to take photos of the property. Geyen states that as of today there has been no significant progress made. The board will be in contact with the Sheriff's office to issue a citation.
- Computer equipment options for supervisors were discussed. Motion by Geyen to approve laptops vs chromebooks, second by Helman. Christensen abstained due to conflict of interest. Carried 2-1

New Business

- November 5th meeting changed to Thursday November 7th at 7:00pm
- Board of Canvas meeting will be held at Thursday November 7th meeting
- Reorganizational meeting will be held on Tuesday December 17th at 7:00pm
- Board of Audit meeting will be held on Tuesday February 11th at 7:00pm

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Geyen, second by Nelson.

