

Township of Bloomington  
Monday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024  
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

The regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Town of Bloomington was called to order on Monday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Bill Erdenberger. Roll call was taken, other members present were Supervisor I Mike Patterson, Supervisor II Joe Kirschbaum, Patrolman Andrew “Buck” Crubel, Clerk Jane Patterson, Treasurer Brenda Kluesner and public member Michelle Newhouse. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the posting of the Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting and Agenda, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the November 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 regular board meeting minutes, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> Budget Hearing Meeting minutes, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> Special Town’s Meeting minutes to approve the 2024 tax levy, motion carried. There were no public comments.

**Roads and Machinery Reports:** Patrolman Buck Crubel reported that he has had to grit the roads due to slippery conditions. He also reported that there is a farmer that has placed round hay bales in the roads right of way. This could cause a problem when plowing snow-Buck has talked to the farmer and asked him to move them. The Board and Buck have not heard if MMCA wants the Township to plow their private roads again this year. Plowing and sanding private driveway charges will remain the same as last year-\$30.00 per plowing, additional charges for materials and labor according to weather conditions will apply at the discrepancy of the patrolman. Buck and Kyle have been working on the grader getting it ready for winter.

Buck insulated the windows in the Hwy building, and Dennis LaMere will insulate the attic. Clerk Jane Patterson will put a notice in the Grant County Herald Independent advertising for bids to remodel the exterior of the Hwy building.

Buck signed a new Patrolman’s Contract which will take effect January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to renew Jane Patterson as Town Clerk for another term of three years, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. The board agreed to table the Buoy Contract until the January meeting. Mike will contact Greg Page to see if he is still placing the buoys.

**Financial Report:** Treasurer Brenda Kluesner presented the November 2024 financial report. The report was approved unanimously by the Board. Clerk Jane Patterson reported the outstanding bills, Board members approved payment of the bills presented. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to use the funds in the Contingency Reserve to reduce the loan at Clare Bank, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to use the remaining funds in the Infrastructure Reserve to reduce the loan at the Clare Bank, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to approve the resolution for amending the 2024 budget, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Motion (Mike Patterson) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to put \$22,300.00 into the Equipment Reserve for the final loan payment at Peoples State Bank for the yellow Town truck which is due April 2025 and to put \$20,000.00 into the Contingency Reserve, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to adopt the amended 2024 Town Budget and the 2025 Town Budget, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried.

End of the year bonuses were discussed by the board, motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Joe Kirschbaum) was made to give the same bonuses this year as last year, on a voice roll call, yes-3, no-0, motion carried. The date for Caucus will be January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Bloomington Town Hall. The next regular monthly board meeting will be January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Bloomington Town Hall.

Motion (Bill Erdenberger) seconded (Mike Patterson) was made to adjourn the meeting, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted  
Jane Patterson-Clerk