

WALPACK MAYOR AND COMMITTEE
MINUTES
OCTOBER 29, 2024

Opening Statement: Mayor Maglio stated, "This remote meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, having been duly advertised."

NOTE: The system employed by the Township of Walpack for conducting its remote public meetings affords the public the opportunity to both listen to, and participate in, the meeting by a means of a simple dial-in process which has been made known to the public via an announcement on the Township website since the first remote meeting was announced."

Roll Call: Mayor Victor Maglio, Committeeman Ken Bechtold, CFO Ashley Kannaley, Attorney Glenn Kienz, Clerk Christine M. Von Oesen

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve the September 24, 2024 Mayor and Committee Meeting minutes. Motion by Committeeman Bechtold. Second by Mayor Maglio. All in Favor.

Discussion: Regarding Best Practices, CFO Kannaley was pleased to report that Walpack received 41 out of 46 points. It was suggested that the website could have more links.

Resolution:

R-36-24 to approve the bills list (bills list attached). Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to approve R-36-24. Motion by Committeeman Bechtold. Second by Mayor Maglio. All in Favor.

Public Comment:

Mayor Maglio opened the meeting for Public Comment. Hearing none, Mayor Maglio closed the meeting to Public Comment.

Discussion:

County Clerk Jeff Parrott wrote a letter regarding Mr. Bechtold's Walpack Township Committee appointment. Per Mr. Parrott's letter, "We agree that Mr. Bechtold will fill Ms. Happe's unexpired term ending December 31, 2025. It is important to note if Mr. Bechtold plans to run for the committee seat he was appointed to, in the future "that being a three year term," he would be required to

submit a formal petition on or before March 24, 2025 to appear on the June 3, 2025 Primary Election.”

Committeeman Bechtold will arrange for the oil burner to be serviced. He will contact Gold 24/7 Services per our contract. Committeeman Bechtold and his wife, Julia, plan to clean the building.

Mr. Mark Miller offers to fix up the firehouse, and would like to store, in exchange for maintaining the building, the tractor that he uses to care for the cemetery. Liability is a concern. Mayor Maglio asked Attorney Kienz how we might proceed. Mr. Miller had offered to sign a waiver. Attorney Kienz advised that a signed hold harmless agreement would be appropriate.

The schoolhouse was broken into several weeks ago. The burglar left keys on top of a file cabinet.

Committeeman Bechtold indicated that Viking Pest Control charges \$80 per month for their services. Committeeman Bechtold will meet Viking Pest Control at the building to allow them access.

Mayor Maglio requested a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion by Committeeman Bechtold. Second by Mayor Maglio. All in Favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Von Oesen
Clerk
Walpack Township