

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
March 15th, 2022 7:00 p.m.**

Call to Order/Pledge/Roll Call:

Supervisor Bill Kasprzak called the regular meeting of the Howard Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Howard Township Business Office. Pledge to the flag was given. Board members, Mike Gordon, Mike Daly, Gary Conover, Sheri Wozniak, Hank Johnson, Phil Hurlbutt and Bill Kasprzak were present.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Daly, supported by Conover to approve the amended agenda, carried.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Gordon to approve the February 15, 2022 regular meeting minutes, carried.

A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Conover to approve the March 1st, 2022 special meeting minutes, carried.

A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Johnson to approve the March 8th, 2022 special meeting minutes, carried.

Financial Report:

Treasurer Gordon read the March 2022 financial report into the record. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Conover to accept the March 2022 monthly financial report as presented with a beginning balance of \$772,610.69 and an ending balance of \$986,073.02 carried.

Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Daly, supported by Gordon to approve the monthly bills for payment, carried.

Departmental Reports

There were 37 EMS calls and 7 Fire calls for February 2022. Trustee Gordon reported that the parks are getting ready to open and they will be interviewing for the park maintenance position this week. There is a service league that is using Pepper Martin Park for an easter egg hunt on April 9th. Howard Township baseball is set to open April 30th. The Sheriff's department continues to be busy in the township. There were 45,000 cases opened last year county wide with dispatch taking 120,000 calls for service. The Sheriff introduced a new deputy, Ashley Meyer. Animal Control is among the top live release shelters in the areas with a 95% release rate. The building department continues to be busy. SMACS continues to be busy, 37 calls for service in the township. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Hurlbutt to approve the monthly reports, carried.

Information

On March 31st, 2022 Rena Matthews will be retiring after 10 years of service. Sarah Gowen will be the new Deputy Treasurer and Administrative Assistant.

Old Business

The gate was determined to be on two individual pieces of private property. It is the townships position to relinquish any and all ownership of the gate to the two property owners. Any subsequent action in regards to the gate is up to the joint owners. A letter advising this will be sent to both property owners.

New Business

Approve Paycor as payroll processing company. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Hurlbutt, Carried.

Approve Resignation of Rich McGrew as assessor effective April 1st, 2022. A motion was made by Daly, supported by Gordon, Carried.

Approve Contract for Assessing for Northrup Assessing effective April 1st 2022. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Wozniak. Carried

Approve Appointment of Eileen Toney to Library Board. A motion was made by Conover, supported by Gordon. Carried

Approve Amended job descriptions and Refusal to seek Treatment form. A motion was made by Gordon, supported by Conover. Carried.

Approve sale of used generator to Gary Zavoral for \$1000. A motion was made by Daly, supported by Wozniak, carried.

Approve Budget amendment for the Fire Department. A motion was made by Gordon, supported by Conover, carried.

Correspondence

None

Other Business from the Board

Public Comment

Adjournment:

Adjourned at 7:50 pm, carried.

Sheri Wozniak
Howard Township Clerk