

**BLENDON TOWNSHIP**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**December 19, 2022 @ 7:00 pm**

1. **Call to Order:** Don VanderKuyl, Township Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Invocation** by Robin Overway
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
4. **Roll call.** PRESENT: Trisha Henderson, Robin Overway, Jeff Meyer  
Don VanderKuyl, Greg Golembiewski
5. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Robin, supported by Greg to approve the agenda with the addition of 13f.

Motion Carried 5-0.

6. **Approval of the Board meeting minutes dated November 21, 2022:** Motion by Greg, supported by Trisha to approve the minutes as presented

Motion Carried 5-0.

7. **Review of paid invoices dated November 22, 2022 to December 19, 2022:** Motion by Greg and supported by Robin to approve invoices.

Motion Carried 5-0

8. **Public Comment on Items ON the Agenda** – no public commented
9. **Treasurer’s Report** – Treasurer Golembiewski gave his report
10. **Clerk’s Report** – Clerk Overway gave the clerk’s report
11. **Supervisor’s Report** – Supervisor VanderKuyl gave the supervisors report
12. **Monthly Reports**
  - a. Fire Department activity report -Chief Gernaat presented a report and commented on it.
  - b. Police Activity report
  - c. Building permit report
  - d. Building and Grounds report
  - e. Preliminary Planning Commission minutes

13. **New Business**

a. **Board and Commission appointments**

Supervisor VanderKuyl recommended the following appointments:

Compensation Commission

Gary DeJong – two-year term ending 12/31/2024

Ben Van Zweden – five-year term ending 12/31/2027

Board of Review

Re-appoint current members (Jeff DeWind, Steve O’Connell, Bruce Costen, & Dave Beute) to a two-year term ending 12/31/2024

Joel Hoving – Alternate to a two-year term ending 12/31/2024

Emergency Services Board

Glenn Overweg – six-year term ending 12/31/2028

Motion by Don supported by Jeff to appoint Gary DeJong

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Greg supported by Robin to appoint Ben Van Zweden

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Don supported by Jeff to appoint Jeff DeWind

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Don supported by Robin to appoint Steve O’Connell

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Don supported by Greg to appoint Bruce Costen

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Don supported by Trisha to appoint Dave Beute

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Don Supported by Jeff to appoint Joel Hoving

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Greg supported by Robin to appoint Glenn Overweg

Motion carried 5-0

b. **Budget amendment:** Motion by Don supported by Greg to approve Resolution #2022-12.01

Roll Call vote: Greg – yes, Robin-yes, Don-yes, Jeff-yes, Trisha-yes

Motion Carried 5-0

c. **AC unit replacement at Borculo Community Center:** Motion by Don, supported by Jeff to hire DHE to replace AC unit per quote.

Motion Carried 5-0

- d. **HVAC / Plumbing service contract:** Motion by Don supported by Jeff to approve maintenance contract from DHE Plumbing and Mechanical

Motion carried 5-0

- e. **Document retention:** Motion by Don supported by Greg to purchase Laserfiche for document retention

Motion Carried 5-0

- f. **West Coast cash for firefighters:** Motion by Greg supported by Don to give each firefighter \$25 in west coast cash totaling \$800.00

Motion Carried 5-0

14. **Old or Ongoing Business**

- a. No old business to discuss

15. **Public Comments on items NOT ON the agenda**

- a. Rich Houtteman from Consumers Energy spoke to some new programs that they have going on that may benefit our township
- b. Other comments from the public were heard

16. **Correspondence for Informational Purposes**

17. **Upcoming Events**

- a. **Planning Commission** – January 2, 2023
- b. **Township Board** – January 16, 2023
- c. **Zoning board of Appeals** – January 23, 2023

18. **Adjournment**

Motion by Greg, seconded by Jeff to adjourn at 8:08

Motion Carried 5-0

Recorded by Kurt Gernaat  
Submitted by Robin Overway, Township Clerk