

BLENDON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 15, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

1. **Call to Order:** Don VanderKuyl, Township Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Invocation** by Jeff Meyer
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 Greg Golembiewski with the addition of 2 items under correspondence, supported by Trisha Henderson to approve the agenda.*

Motion Carried 5-0.
6. **Approval of the Board meeting minutes dated April 24, 2023:** *Motion by Greg Golembiewski, supported by Don VanderKuyl to approve the minutes as presented.*

Motion Carried 5-0.
7. **Review of paid invoices dated April 25, 2023, to May 15, 2023:** *Motion by Robin Overway and supported by Trisha Henderson to approve the invoices.*

Motion Carried 5-0
8. **Public Comment on Items ON the Agenda** – no comments were heard.
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 supervisor’s report
12. **Monthly Reports**
 - a. Fire Department activity report – Greg Golembiewski gave a brief synopsis from the Safety Services meeting held on the 10th.
 - b. Police Activity report – as submitted in the packet
 - c. Building permit report – as submitted in the packet
 - d. Building and Grounds report – no report
 - e. Preliminary Planning Commission minutes – Jeff Meyer gave an overview.

13. **New Business**

a. **Dumpster Enclosure**

Motion by Jeff Meyer, supported by Trisha Henderson to hire American Fence Erectors to install an enclosure around the dumpster at the township hall.

Motion Carried 5-0

b. **Metro Act renewal:**

Motion by Greg Golembiewski, supported by Jeff Meyer to renew the contract

Motion Carried 5-0

- c. **Ordinance No. Z2023-05.01:** Information was presented by Jeff Meyer regarding the proposed ordinance. *Motion by Jeff Meyer, supported by Don VanderKuyl to adopt the ordinance. Roll call vote: Greg-yes, Robin-yes, Jeff-yes, Trisha-yes, Don-yes*

Motion Carried 5-0

- d. **2024 Rentals:** Supervisor Vanderkuyl suggested that we consider a policy of no longer offering rental space at the community center. *Motion by Jeff Meyer, supported by Trisha Henderson to suspend taking rental applications for 2024 until further notice.*

Motion Carried 5-0

- e. **Manager Contract:** *Motion by Jeff Meyer, supported by Robin Overway to recuse Greg Golembiewski for this item.*

Motion Carried 4-0

Supervisor VanderKuyl presented the revised township manager contract. *Motion by Don VanderKuyl, supported by Jeff Meyer to adopt the contract. Roll call vote: Robin-yes, Jeff-yes, Trisha-yes, Don-yes*

Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Jeff Meyer, supported by Robin Overway to bring Greg Golembiewski back into the meeting.

Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Don VanderKuyl, supported by Jeff Meyer to accept Greg Golembiewski's resignation as Treasurer effective 5-31-23 at midnight.

Motion carried 4-0

- f. **Supervisor Salary:** Supervisor VanderKuyl suggested that his salary be reduced in light of duties now being performed by Township Manager. *Motion by Don VanderKuyl, supported by Trisha Henderson to adopt Resolution 2023-05.01 to reduce the wage of the supervisor. Roll Call vote: Don-yes, Trisha-yes, Greg-yes, Jeff-yes, Robin-yes.*

Motion Carried 5-0

14. **Old or Ongoing Business**

- a. **none:**

15. **Public Comments on items NOT ON the agenda** – no comments were heard.

16. **Correspondence for Informational Purposes**

- a. Letter from Brad Slagh – Don presented
b. Synopsis of Road Commission meeting – Greg presented

17. **Upcoming Events**

- a. **Planning Commission** – June 5, 2023
b. **Township Board** – June 19, 2023

18. **Adjournment**

Motion by Greg Golembiewski, supported by Robin Overway to adjourn at 8:29

Motion Carried 5-0

Recorded by Kurt Gernaat
Submitted by Robin Overway, Township Clerk