

ECKLES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
September 13, 2022

Present: Chairman, Donald Hazeman, Supervisors, Mel Milender, Darren Bumgardner, Beth Hendricks; Treasurer, Debra Larson and Clerk Mary Lou Milender. Absent was Supervisor Wilson.

Public Attendees: Colleen and Karl Oestreich, Jodee Treat, Peggy Curtis, Darwin Wiebolt, Kiel Brown, and Gary Coan.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman, Don Hazeman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Supervisor Milender to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Supervisor Hendricks. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Bumgardner made a motion to approve the September 13, 2022 Agenda. Second by Supervisor Hendricks. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

VISITORS:

JoDee Treat informed the board that she has a tabulator (DS200) we can use for the General Election in November. The County will have Liberty Township set up on it also, so at the end of the night we just need to sort the two ballots for the precincts and ensure that all of the ballots are the same amount as recorded on the tablet. Three attendees from Liberty were in favor of what we will be doing in November. The cost to purchase our own DS200 is approximately \$7,000.00.

ROAD REPORT:

The speed signs we ordered but will not be available until the end of October.

Funding road paving projects: We may need a special session between now and the Oct. meeting.

We will be using approximately \$400,000 from the Road and Bridge Fund and ARPA and we will finance \$400,000 for the Eckles/Balsam project. The Deerfield 1st Addition project will be financed by the Township and paid for 100% by the residents of that development through assessments. Semi-Annual payments start in June, 2013.

Mark Fuller called about the Eckles and Sullivan projects. He wants the development done before Eckles Road so Eckles Road can be packed by the trucks.

OTHER ROAD ISSUES:

There was a driveway tarred on Werner Road which left a portion of the pavement on the gravel. It could cause some problems for the grader. Mr. Vincent will receive a letter from the township to inform him the township is not going to be responsible if it gets damaged, during grading or snowplowing.

Darwin Wiebolt wants Winding Road and Whisper Road in Plat of Woodcrest Estates, First Addition taken over this fall. Supervisor Milender informed him that we would want Freeburg & Grund to check it and certify that it meets standards before we take it over. Motion by Supervisor Milender, second by Chairman Hazeman to begin the process to take it over before November 1, 2022. Motion carried. Radar Road – ATV trail is cutting up the road. It will have to be reshaped in that location.

OTHER:

The district 12 Annual Meeting was held on August 23. The status and importance of County Units (like BATO) were a major topic of discussion. Mel will keep us informed as to the final outcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The MAT Annual Meeting was discussed. Anybody that wants to attend should register. Between BATO and the township, the mileage, room & registration will be paid.

The road review is scheduled for October 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Meet at the Community Center.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Bumgardner, seconded by Supervisor Hendricks. Motion carried unanimously. 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Milender
Township Clerk

Donald Hazeman
Chairman