

**ECKLES TOWNSHIP  
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 13, 2018**

1. Meeting called to order at 8:30 p.m. by Mary Lou Milender, Township Clerk.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.
3. Motion by Don Hazeman, seconded by Aaron Dougherty to have Dennis Zeto be Moderator. Motion carried unanimously
4. Motion by Mel Milender, seconded by Don Hazeman to accept the minutes from March 14, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
5. The 2017 Annual Treasurer's Report was read. Motion by Mel Milender, seconded by Aaron Dougherty to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Motion carried unanimously.
6. The clerk informed the residents the Annual Audit Report was available. Dennis Zeto stated the report was accepted by the Board of Supervisors at the Board of Audit. Motion by Thore Thorson, seconded by Don Wilson to accept the Audit Report. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Cory Wilson presented a Road Report. He informed the township residents of what was accomplished in 2017 and what is proposed for road projects for 2018. He explained why we were under our budget. He also informed the residents that Eckles Road from Mayflower to Jackpine will have chloride applied this summer.

A discussion regarding the 4-way stop sign at Wild Rose & Eckles Road intersection was held. A majority voted to keep the 4-way stop sign.

A discussion on the drainage on Section 34-35-36 was held. A motion from Mel Milender, seconded by Thore Thorson to force the County to maintain the Judicial Ditch. There will be a resolution prepared at the next regular board meeting.

Don Hazeman informed the residents that he had spoken with Karen Weller of the Airport authority regarding rumors about the expansion of the airport. They have no plans to expand the airport.

8. Mel Milender presented a Rural Fire Association Report. Eckles Township's fire calls are 28% of the fires in the rural fire coverage area and 40% of the accidents in the same area.
9. Cemetery Report: There will be a new light installed on the flag pole when the weather is better.
10. Recommended Budget & Tax Levies for calendar year 2019 were reviewed and set as follows:  
\$42,550.00 was set for the General Fund; \$305,700.00 was set for the Road and Bridge Fund; \$60,000.00 was set for the Fire Fund; and \$2,500.00 was set for the Cemetery Fund. Total levy approved was \$410,750.00. Motion by Gary Coan, seconded by Peggy Kelm to approve the levy. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Motion by Thore Thorson, seconded by Mel Milender to set the next Eckles Township Annual Meeting for March 12, 2019 at 8:15 p.m. at the Eckles Community Center. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Discussion was had to see if anybody wants to continue with the Annual Potluck Picnic. Due to the lack of interest, this will be eliminated and left to the board.
13. Announcements: April 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. is the Board of Review; May 9th or the 16th 2018 will be the Eckles Road Clean-up day.
14. Election Results were announced as follows:  
Supervisor A for three years - Cory Wilson 25 votes  
Supervisor B for two years - Aaron Dougherty 26 votes

Supervisor C for three years - Beth Hendricks 16 votes

Clerk for two years - Mary Lou Milender 26 votes

15. Motion by Mel Milender, seconded by Don Hazeman to adjourn meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Milender

Township Clerk

Dennis Zeto

Moderator