**Wales Township Board of Trustees Meeting**

**January 3, 2023**  **DRAFT**

**Opening:**

Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Downey, Masters, Bobcean present. Kimmen arrived at 6:37 and Messina arrived at 6:38.

**Consent Agenda:**

A. Add Board and Planning recording secretary, ARPA funds and solar moratorium to New Business.

B. Change correspondence-Road Commission meeting minutes date to 12-6-2022.

C. Change Financial Report date to 11-30-2022.

D. Correct dates and public comment of Tracy Slate on December 6, 2022 Board minutes.

E. Financial report and check registers. Checks # 2418-2457, totaling $ 62,169.97.

Motion by Masters, second by Kimmen to approved amended consent agenda. Roll call: Masters, aye; Kimmen, aye; Messina, aye; Downey, aye; Bobcean, aye; All ayes, motion approved.

**Public comments:**

Verbal Public comments were acknowledged by the board.

**Correspondence and Announcements:**

A. Richmond Lenox/EMS report.

B. Road Commission/DPW minutes of 12-6-2022

C. Email correspondence from Sandra Tannehill on public comments.

**Reports:**

**A. Supervisor**- Emmett Fire will hold a meeting soon. She is waiting for the date and information. Kimball Township has expressed interest in returning to service the east sections of the township.

**B. Clerk**- Fire and EMS report for December and January birthdays.

**C. Treasurer**- Taxes are being collected. Bridget will help with grant writing for park grants. Bike path map is not available.

**D**. **Trustee Kimmen (Assessor) (Planning Commission)**- Sales studies report in progress. BOR did not meet in January. All BOR will attend training on February 1st, 2023. Public hearing for Planning Commission will be on January 17, 2023. This was published. There was confusion on sending it to the Yale Expositor. Clerk will be sure to check on all publications so deadlines are met. Planning will look into the electrical moratorium to become a regulatory ordinance per planner. Pond permits lengths will also be looked in into at the planning meeting. A possible moratorium on solar/wind will also be discussed at the planning meeting on January 17, 2023.

**E. Trustee Downey (Hall Restoration**)- No meetings were held due to the holidays. Committee has held 3 or 4 meetings so far.

**F. Building/Zoning report**- Report was presented to board by clerk.

**Old Business:**

**A. Millage agreement with EMS/County through 2026.** This was postponed from the 10-4-2022 meeting. Motion by Messina, second by Kimmen to accept agreement. Roll call: Messina, aye; Kimmen, aye; Downey, aye; Bobcean, aye; Masters, aye. All ayes, motion approved.

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**New Business:**

**A. Location and times of future Board and Planning meetings**. Due to possible capacity limits, Supervisor has suggested to continue having the meetings at the Goodells Park Community Center. Motion by Kimmen, second by Bobcean to continue to have all future Board meetings at 6:30 pm and all future Planning meetings at 7pm., at the Goodells Park Community Center through April 31, 2023. Roll call: all ayes, motion approved.

**B. Assessment mailings**. Motion by Masters, second by Bobcean to accept the quote of $ 1312.08 from Ready Set Mail to mail assessments. Roll call: Masters, aye; Bobcean, aye; Downey, aye; Messina, aye; Kimmen, aye. All ayes, motion approved.

**C. Planning Commission/ZBA Rep 3- year appointment**. Supervisor recommended appointment of Kevin Glass to serve a 3-year appointment on the Planning Commission and ZBA rep. Motion by Kimmen, second by Masters to appoint Kevin Glass to 3- year term on Planning Commission/ZBA rep. Roll call: Kimmen, aye; Masters, aye; Messina, aye; Downey, aye; Bobcean, nay. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Motion approved.

Mr. Minor served this position for 50+ years. He said he enjoyed working with the township and feels honored to have been able to serve. He was a Certified Citizen Planner. The Board thanked him for his service.

Kimmen will look into the cost and interest of the Planning Commission to see if any are interested in becoming a Certified Citizen Planner.

**D. Recording Secretary Planning**. Motion by Masters, second by Messina to appoint Kimmen to be the recording secretary for the Planning Commission. She will receive compensation for both positions on the commission. Roll call: Masters, aye; Messina, aye; Kimmen, abstain; Downey, aye; Bobcean, aye. 4 ayes, 1 abstain. Motion approved.

**Recording Secretary Board Meetings-** Masters asked if a recording secretary was needed for the Board of Trustees meetings. Bobcean said she will continue to do the minutes.

**E.** **ARPA Funds**- Allocation of $ 330,000.00 ARPA funds to use by 2026. Board went into workshop at 7:57 pm to discuss use of these funds. Many ideas were discussed on renovating the hall, which is in need of new roofing, outside paint, windows, doors, porches and handicap ramp. Workshop concluded at 8:19 pm. Motion by Kimmen, second by Masters to use the $ 330,000.00 ARPA funds to renovate the hall, with Board approval, and any leftover funds be determined for use at a later date. Roll call: Kimmen, aye; Masters, aye; Messina, aye; Downey, aye; Bobcean, aye. All ayes, motion approved.

**F. Solar/ Wind Moratorium**- Masters explained this will be discussed at the Planning Commission Public Hearing and meeting on January 17, 2023. Amendments to the Zoning Ordinances will also be discussed.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Kimmen, second by Downey to adjourn. Roll call: all ayes. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

Cynthia Bobcean

Wales Township Clerk