

**PAW TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
April 8th, 2024
114 N. GREMPS STREET
PAW PAW, MICHIGAN 49079**

Supervisor Palenick called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Thomas Palenick, Matthew Miller, Fran Sanders, Lisa Zinkil, and Rebecca Payne

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mark Root, Mary Springer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Motion by Palenick seconded by Sanders to approve the March 11, 2024, regular meeting minutes.

In Favor Aye: All Aye

Motion Carried

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Add Zoning ordinance under Supervisor section, senior Center discussion under Treasurer and Lake Cora under Trustee.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Palenick seconded by Zinkil to approve agenda as presented with the three additions.

In Favor Aye: All Aye

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The deputy read 143 calls on the March 2024 sheriff's report.

Motion by Palenick seconded by Zinkil to approve the use of the Township parking lot for Saturday from 8am to 3pm of the wine festival for VR Nascar and robotic display.

Roll Call Vote: Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Palenick Yea
Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Discussion on the Paw Paw Village not renewing our sewer maintenance contract.

Motion by Palenick seconded by Zinkil to approve ordinance 286 to amend the zoning map to rezone all lands in the Gateway Planned Unit Development(G-PUD) to the Village Edge (VE) zoning district.

Roll Call Vote: Palenick Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Abstain, Payne Abstain
Yeas: (3) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Zinkil presented the Board with an expenditure report.

General Fund expenditures	\$ 17,684.69
Sewer Fund expenditures	\$ 18,070.44
Payroll expenditures	\$ 46,936.48

Motion by Zinkil seconded by Sanders to approve expenditures as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Palenick Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea
Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Zinkil gave the Impress Fund balance of \$2,579,070.73.

Further discussion on Senior Center millage renewal and current matters.

Motion by Zinkil seconded by Palenick to hire an assistant for the Senior Center for a max of 6 hours a week at \$12 an hour and to cover when the Director is on vacation.

Roll Call Vote: Palenick Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea
Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Motion by Sanders seconded by Zinkil to raise Patricia Trusdale's wage to \$17.50 per hour effective April 8th, 2024.

Roll Call Vote: Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Palenick Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

CLERKS REPORT:

Discussion on purchase of additional parcel adjacent to Pioneer cemetery.

TRUSTEES REPORT

PLANNING COMMISSION

Sanders informed the board that the Planning Commission met in March and held three public hearings. The first one for a storage building was approved. Second was an accessory dwelling unit also approved. Third was an established cannabis grow adding an additional building and license which was approved. Next meeting the PC will be looking at the Master Plan.

FIRE BOARD

Sanders advised that the Fire Board met last week, and there were 7 calls to the Township in March.

PARKS AND REC

Trustee Miller opened a discussion on the public access at Lake Cora.

Motion by Payne seconded by Zinkil to get quotes for a fence at the parking area, new signs and a bench for the Lake Cora access.

Roll Call Vote: Payne Yea, Palenick Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Palenick adjourned the meeting at 7:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca F. Payne, Clerk
Paw Paw Township