

**PAW PAW TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
December 9, 2024
114 N. GREMPS STREET
PAW PAW, MICHIGAN 49079**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Public comment:

None

Board members present:

Thomas Palenick, James DeGroff, Lisa Zinkil, Rebecca Payne, and Dennis Reynolds

Board members absent:

None

Guests present:

Mike Ely, Robbert Thall

Approval of minutes.

Motion made by Palenick seconded by Reynolds to approve the November 11th 2024, regular meeting minutes.

In Favor Aye: All Aye

Motion Carried

Additions to Agenda:

One additional under the Supervisor for the annual review of Ely event venue.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Palenick seconded by Payne to approve agenda as presented with changes.

In Favor Aye: All Aye

Motion Carried

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Sheriff's Report

The deputy read the call report with 163 for September, 149 for October, and 153 for November in the Township.

Motion made by Palenick seconded by Zinkil to renew the SLU for Ely Event Venue.

Roll Call Vote: Zinkil Yea, Reynolds Yea, DeGroff Yea, Payne Yea, Palenick Yea

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

Discussion on 2025-2029 Paw Paw Fire Department contract. Would like wording added to cover if millage were to fall short on covering Village calls, so they can be billed.

Motion made by Palenick seconded by Zinkil to approve purchase of logo clothing for Township Staff not to exceed \$3,000.

Roll Call Vote: Zinkil Yea, DeGroff Yea, Reynolds Yea, Payne No, Palenick Yea
Yeas: (4) Nays: (1) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Discussion on Township Pazer ratings and 2025 roadwork.

Motion made by Palenick seconded by Zinkil to approve new sewer ordinance 289 to be effective 30 days after publication.

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

Motion made by Palenick seconded by Zinkil to adopt resolution 241209-4 sewer rates and meter rates.

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

Treasurer's Report

Zinkil presented the Board with expenditure report.

General Fund expenditures	\$ 153,378.94
Sewer Fund expenditures	\$ 5,972.01
Payroll expenditures	\$ 52,973.06

Motion made by Zinkil seconded by Payne to approve expenditures as presented.

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

Zinkil gave the Impress Fund balance of \$1,424,547.70

Motion made by Zinkil seconded by Reynolds to approve \$1,230.00 for carpet and tile cleaning of the Township Hall by Lake Shore.

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

Discussion on part-time employee's benefits.

Clerk's Report:

Motion made by Payne seconded by Palenick to approve updated fee schedule for the sale and internment in the columbarium.

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

Motion made by Payne seconded by Zinkil to approve Resolution 241209-1 Gratitude and Appreciation of Fran Sanders **with the removal of the word “regretfully”**.

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

Motion made by Payne seconded by DeGross to approve Resolution 241209-2 Gratitude and Appreciation of Matthew Miller **with the removal of the word “regretfully”**.

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

Motion made by Payne seconded by Palenick to approve Resolution 241209-3 Gratitude and Appreciation of 50 years of service by Phillip Arbanas.

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

TRUSTEES REPORT

PLANNING COMMISSION

DeGross informed the Board that he learned a lot from the Round Table with the farmers. He did not like that when surveyed their number one threat to the farmland is the Township Board. He would like to start working on fixing that image. There is no meeting this month, only the round table for homeowners.

FIRE BOARD

Reynolds read the fire report with 6 calls to Township in November. Still having discussions over the high electric bills due to the recommendation of putting in the 3-phase.

Public comment:

None

Palenick adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

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