North Star Township Regular Meeting January 13, 2025

The North Star Township Board met for its regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 7:30pm at the township hall. All members were present except Danielle Wolfe. Supervisor John Hardman called the meeting to order.

• Bill Smith moved to approve the agenda. Second by Heidi Drowley. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

County Commissioner George Bailey was present at our meeting and updated the Board on County news.

- John Hardman moved to approve the minutes from the December meeting as presented by Clerk Heidi Drowley with additions. Second by Bill Smith. Motion carried.
- Bill Smith moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented by Treasurer Nicole Whitmore prior to the board meeting. Second by John Hardman. Motion carried.
- John Hardman moved to pay the bills for January as presented in the amounts of: \$3,972.46 for General Fund, \$1,312.95 for Sewer Maintenance, \$600 for Cemetery General and \$879.04 for Roads. Second by Bill Smith. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ➤ John Hardman moved to approve making a payment to Beebe Renewable Energy as part of the MTT litigation settlement. Official amount is unknown at this time until entered into our system, but payment is due by January 20th. Second by Heidi Drowley. Motion carried.
- ➤ John Hardman moved to approve a M.A.G.N.E.T. donation of \$888 as budgeted. Second by Heidi Drowley. Motion carried.
- ➤ John Hardman moved to approve purchase and installation of a keypad for our new hall door. Cost is quoted at \$1,228.98 and will be added to our hall renovation project. Second by Heidi Drowley. Motion carried.
- ➤ Heidi Drowley moved to renew the Gratiot County Road Commission Maintenance Contract for 2025. Second by Bill Smith. Motion carried.
- ➤ John Hardman moved to adjourn. Second by Heidi Drowley. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Heidi Drowley, Clerk

North Star Township Regular Meeting February 10, 2025

The North Star Township Board met for its regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 7:30pm at the township hall. All members were present. Supervisor John Hardman called the meeting to order.

• Heidi Drowley moved to approve the agenda. Second by Nicole Whitmore. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Neil Zalud from Vestaburg Sand & Gravel was a guest at our meeting. His company has won the bid through Gratiot County Road Commission to provide gravel to our township if we choose to go with them. He addressed concerns that residents countywide have had with the gravel consistency that they provided to us last year. He explained what they have been doing to fix the problem thus creating better gravel for us this year.

- John Hardman moved to approve the minutes from the January meeting as presented by Clerk Heidi Drowley. Second by Bill Smith. Motion carried.
- Heidi Drowley moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented by Treasurer Nicole Whitmore prior to the board meeting. Second by Bill Smith. Motion carried.
- Bill Smith moved to pay the bills for February as presented in the amounts of: \$46,365.70 for General Fund, \$6,433.81 for Sewer Maintenance and \$600 for Cemetery General. Second by John Hardman. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ➤ John Hardman moved to set the Budget Public Hearing for Monday, March 10, 2025 at 7:30pm. Second by Heidi Drowley. Motion carried.
- ➤ John Hardman offered a Poverty Exemption Guideline Resolution for 2025. Second by Heidi Drowley. Upon a roll call vote, the Resolution passed unanimously.

BOARD OF REVIEW

Monday, March 10 from 9AM – 3PM and Wednesday, March 12 from 3PM – 9PM

➤ Heidi Drowley moved to adjourn. Second by Bill Smith. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Heidi Drowley, Clerk

North Star Township Regular Meeting March 10, 2025

The North Star Township Board met for its regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 10, 2025 at 7:30pm at the township hall. All members were present. Supervisor John Hardman called the Budget Hearing to order. The proposed budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 was presented and discussed. John Hardman moved to close the Budget Public Hearing. Second by Bill Smith. The Budget Public Hearing was closed. Supervisor called the regular meeting to order.

• Bill Smith moved to approve the agenda. Second by John Hardman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

County Commissioner George Bailey was present at our meeting and updated the Board on County news.

- John Hardman moved to approve the minutes from the February meeting as presented by Clerk Heidi Drowley. Second by Bill Smith. Motion carried.
- Heidi Drowley moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented by Treasurer Nicole Whitmore
 prior to the meeting. Second by Danielle Wolfe. Motion carried.
- Bill Smith moved to pay the bills for the month as presented in the amounts of: \$57,931.98 for General Fund, \$918.49 for Sewer Maintenance, and \$16,994.45 for Roads. Second by John Hardman. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nicole Whitmore moved to approve the North Star General Appropriations Act. General Fund Revenues are estimated at \$281,235 and Expenditures at \$219,978. Cemetery General Fund Revenues are estimated at \$33,800 and Expenditures at \$33,800. Sewer Operating Revenues are estimated at \$87,644 and Expenditures at \$49,538. Road Fund Revenues are estimated at \$203,914 and Expenditures at \$162,213. Second by Daniell Wolfe. Upon a roll call vote, the Act passed unanimously.
- ➤ Heidi Drowley offered Resolutions to increase the Supervisor, Clerk, and Treasurer salaries to \$12,000 per year and increase the Trustee salaries to \$2,500 per year plus \$20 per meeting. Second by Bill Smith. Upon a roll call vote, the resolutions passed unanimously.
- ➤ Nicole Whitmore moved to approve Budget amendments as presented by Clerk Heidi Drowley. Second by Danielle Wolfe. Motion carried.
- ➤ Nicole Whitmore moved to approve the following Gratiot County Road Commission contracts for 2025-2026:
 - o Chloride contract for 4 full applications in the amount of \$71,084.32
 - o Grave contract for 9.80 miles in the amount of \$87,612
 - o Buchanan Road Chip/Fog Seal in the amount of \$34,000

Second by Danielle Wolfe. Motion carried.

SPRING CLEANUP DAY – will be scheduled for the first Saturday in June which is: June 7^{th} from 8am - 11am.

> John Hardman moved to adjourn. Second by Heidi Drowley. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Heidi Drowley Clerk