

**CENTERVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, December 17, 2024, 6:30 P.M.
CENTERVILLE TOWNSHIP HALL
5001 S. FRENCH ROAD, CEDAR, MI 49621
MINUTES**

Quorum Present

PRESENT: Ronald Schaub, Jody Arens, Elizabeth Chiles, Katrina Pleva, Kerry O'Non

3 Planning Commission members: Rolf von Walthausen, Lindy Kellogg, Chris Grobbel

1. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Review agenda/Additions, Approve Agenda

Amendment: Commissioner's report is not available at this time.

ACTION: Chiles moved to approve the agenda as presented and amended; supported by Arens. Motion carried. 5,0

- 3, **ACTION:** Schaub moved to discuss this item in closed session at 6:36 p.m. to discuss a confidential written communication from the Township attorney, Chris Bzdok; supported by Chiles. Motion carried. 5,0

ACTION: Pleva moved to adjourn the closed session at 7:52 p.m. and return to the regular Board meeting; supported by Chiles. Motion carried. 5,0

Public present: 4

4. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

1. November 13, 2024, Regular meeting minutes

Several typos were noted.

ACTION: Chiles moved to approve the minutes of November 13, 2024, regular meeting, as presented and amended. supported by Schaub. Motion carried. (3,0)
Arens and O'Non abstained as they were not at the meeting.

5. Public Comment

Catherine Collins – She is very concerned about septic waste being disposed of on farm land. The waste may be strained but it is not treated. She has complained to the Health Department. Her property is surrounded on 4 sides by the Eitzen property. She encouraged the Township to keep the public informed.

6. Township Financial Update

1. Treasurer's Report

Pleva reported that she was able to get a 7-month, 7% interest, for \$7,000 CD. Another CD that was expiring was rolled over. Taxes are coming in.

Pleva will be in the office on Friday, December 29, from 9 to 5.

ACTION: Schaub moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, supported by Chiles. Motion carried. 5,0

2. Invoices – Review and authorize payment

ACTION: Pleva moved to pay invoices; supported by Schaub. Motion carried. 5,0

3. Review P&L

An \$8,000 entry needs to be looked at in the journal.

7. Planning Commission

1. Choose Board representative to PC

The job of the Township representative to the Planning Commission was explained. Currently, the Planning Commission will be working on continued litigation and writing the Master Plan. The Commission meets on the first Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting is January 6, 2025. Extra meetings are expected and one will be scheduled later in January. New Commission members will participate in training sessions.

ACTION: Schaub nominated Jody Arens as Board representative to the Planning Commission; supported by O'Non. Motion carried. 5,0

Arens has been appointed for 3 years; term ending 11-20-27.

2. Lindy Kellogg and Noel Bielaczyc were reappointed to 3-year terms ending 12-31-27.

3. Next meeting: January 6, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.

3. Cedar Area Fire and Rescue Board

1. Board member report/Interlocal Agreement

They are working on an interlocal agreement. Supervisors will meet to compose an interlocal agreement.

Schaub explained the make-up of the Fire Board. Pleva or Chiles will have to take Schaub's place just to work on the interlocal agreement only.

2. Next regular meeting: January 2, 2025 @ 2:00 p.m.

9. Supervisor's Report

There are 2 members of the Board of Review and 2 more are needed.

ACTION: Pleva moved for Ray Kuhn and Patricia Conklin to serve for two years on the Board of Review, term expiring 12-31-26; supported by O'Non. Motion carried. 5,0

10. Board – Unfinished Business

1. Williams and Bay was discussed in closed session.

2. Northgate – There was a hearing on December 2. There is an appeal on the second application. There is a federal lawsuit as well. They are expediting mediation and the Township has asked for it to be done in our venue. Lauren Teichner has been the legal representative in this matter. The conference will be scheduled on January 7 and a mediator will be chosen.

Brian Rogers case – All briefs have been filed in the Court of Appeals. We are waiting for the court to schedule oral arguments.

11. Board – New Business

1. Training for Trustees and Supervisor

There will be training at Crystal Mountain on December 19, 2024.

12. Commissioner's Report – Item omitted from the agenda.

13 Upcoming Township Meetings

1. **Next Board of Trustees Meeting: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.** There may be a closed meeting prior to the Board meeting.

4. Public Comment - None

5. Motion to Adjourn

ACTION: Pleva moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.; supported by Chiles.

Motion carried. 5,0

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Kacin


Beth Chiles, Clerk

Approved 01.08.25