

Clinton County, Michigan 6843 E. Alward Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848 Proposed Board Minutes from February 11, 2025

The regular board meeting of Victor Township was called to order by Supervisor Wiswasser at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge to the flag was given.

Attendance: Roll call: Present: Wiswasser, Prange, Willoughby, Pesch. Sayles entered

the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Absent: None

8 citizens in attendance.

Public Comment: none

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Prange to approve the February 11, 2025, agenda with additions. Motion seconded by Pesch. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Willoughby to approve the January 14, 2025 regular meeting minutes, January 14, 2025 special meeting minutes and January 28, 2025 special meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Pesch. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Prange to accept the February 11, 2025 Treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll call: Wiswasser: yes, Pesch: yes, Sayles: absent, Prange: yes, Willoughby: yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills and Payroll: Motion by Willoughby to disburse the January 2025 bills (Paid February 11, 2025). Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll Call: Prange: yes, Willoughby: yes, Wiswasser: yes, Pesch: yes, Sayles: absent. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 29281-29296, in the amount of \$14,878.30.

Motion by Willoughby to disburse January 2025 payroll and payroll related expenses (Paid February 11, 2025). Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll Call: Prange: yes, Willoughby: yes, Wiswasser: yes, Pesch: yes, Sayles: absent. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 13186-13193 in the amount of \$11,058.67.

County Officials: Clinton County Commissioner Nichole Fickes sent a report on County business. The County Board of Commissioners supports the DayStarr Communications' application for funding under the BEAD Program and their efforts to bring high-speed broadband to our community. Frontier is also building out main fiber lines to extend the hub. The home connections for Victor Township are expected next year (2026). A cell tower is planning to be built off Hollister Rd. near Centerline Rd. The noise amendment to the wind ordinance was tabled due to more information needed.

Reports:

Kendel Darragh gave an update on the Briggs District Library Renovation and Expansion. There will be a Community Open House at Briggs District Library, 108 Railroad St. in St. Johns to see the newly

improved library on Tuesday, March 4, 3:30-6:00 p.m. Please visit the library's website for program information, database links, etc. at: www.briggsdistrictlibrary.org or check out their Facebook page.

Terry Link, Laingsburg Recyclers, gave a detailed report on the 2024-year end. They are grateful for our support and are actively working on building a strong foundation to support future growth. They are continuing their education efforts online through social media posts, their website:

RecycleLaingsburg.wixsite.com/mysite, monthly newsletters, and through press releases in the local newspapers. They are always looking for volunteers of all ages to assist with upcoming recycling drives. You can sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4EA5AB2DAAF49-53907955-feb2025.

Victor Township Planning Commission: Proposed Planning Commission's Minutes from February 4, 2025 placed on file. The Planning Commission is working on a list of projects they would like to see accomplished in the next budget year including repairs of Dennison School wall water damage, gravel for Reed Cemetery, signage for Township Cemeteries, and tree trimming in the cemeteries. Repair of the cold storage building was discussed. Motion by Wiswasser to allow the planning commission members to repair the structure after signing the volunteer waiver provided by the township. Project to be completed by October 31, 2025. Motion seconded by Prange. All in favor. Motion carried. Discussion regarding the Planning Commission terms in office. Motion by Prange to set the terms of the Planning Commission members to run from January 1st through December 31st of the term in office. Motion seconded by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

The next Planning meeting is Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Victor Township Hall. Victor Township Historical group met with 13 citizens in attendance. The next Historical meeting is March 3, 2025.

LSW Emergency Services Authority (Fire): Supervisor Wiswasser attended the LSW (Fire) meeting. Reports from January 2025 were provided to the board and placed on file.

Office Admin Report: Tax collection, rentals, cemetery responsibilities, and office tasks were among the many items performed in January.

Maintenance & Facilities:

Maintenance Report: The existing fire hall unit heater needs to be replaced. Motion by Willoughby to accept the quote by Goetschy Heating and Cooling LLC to replace the heater in the amount of \$5,525.00. Motion seconded by Sayles. Roll call: Prange: yes, Pesch: yes, Wiswasser: yes, Willoughby: yes: Sayles: yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Discussion regarding new office window installation at the front counter. Motion by Prange to hire Dig Excavating to install new window using MyDeal for cost of materials and township contract obligation of \$75.00/hr. total not to exceed \$5,000.00 for labor. Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll call: Pesch: yes, Sayles: yes, Willoughby: yes, Wiswasser: yes, Prange: yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Discussion regarding the replacing of all locks in the township for safety reasons. Motion by Willoughby to hire Secure Lock & Door, LLC to replace locks in the township hall with standalone electronic keyless access locks in the amount of \$5,645.00. Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll call: Sayles: yes, Pesch: yes, Wiswasser: yes, Prange: yes, Willoughby: yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

LSW Fire Service Fee Increase/EMS Fire Funding: There will be a special meeting to discuss the method of funding for Emergency Services for Victor Township on February 24, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Special Meeting Budget Review Workshop: There will be a special meeting to discuss the 2025-2026 budget on February 24, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

New Business:

Board recessed from 8:46-8:50 p.m.

Budget Amendments Motion by Willoughby to approve the Budget amendments submitted and discussed by the board. Motion seconded by Prange. Roll call: Pesch: yes, Sayles: yes, Wiswasser: yes, Willoughby: yes, Prange: yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

MiDeal Computer bids: Motion by Sayles to accept quote from Emmie Sweeting, Dell Corp, in the amount of \$8,668.26 for the upgrade of the township computer systems using the MiDeals Agreement. Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll call vote: Sayles: yes, Prange: yes, Willoughby: yes, Pesch: yes, Wiswasser: yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

MiDeal Smart Home Office bid Media: Motion by Willoughby to approve the bid of Smart Homes/Smart Offices to provide audiovisual installation for the township. Complete system engineering, installation, setup, testing and training in the amount of \$29,190.37, using the MiDeals Agreement. Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll call: Willoughby: yes, Sayles: yes, Prange: yes, Pesch: yes, Wiswasser: yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Painting Bids: Motion by Willoughby to approve the bid of Pat Smith to paint the township offices, board room, ½ of the hallway, and 7 doors in the amount of \$1,655.00 with the township paying for materials using the MiDeals Agreement. Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll call: Wiswasser: yes, Prange: yes, Willoughby: yes, Sayles: yes, Pesch: yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Township dumpster upgrade: Motion by Willoughby to exchange the 2CU YD dumpster with a 4 CU yd dumpster. Motion seconded by Pesch. Roll call: Wiswasser: yes, Prange: yes, Willoughby: yes, Pesch: yes, Sayles: yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: none

Motion by Willoughby to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Motion seconded by Sayles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Lianne Prange Victor Township Clerk