

Agenda

Billings Township Board

Meeting Monday August 14, 2023

7:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Public Comments (Agenda Items only 3 minutes)
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Approval of Minutes
7. Approval of Bills to be Paid.
8. Treasurer's Report
9. Correspondences
10. Department reports: **A)** Fire Department **B)** *WWTP **C)** Constable **D)** *DPW **E)** OEO
11. Committee reports: **A)** Park & Recreation **B)** Road Committee Meeting August 15, 2023
12. Guest Speakers: **A)** Tami O'Donnell, District 3 Gladwin County Commissioner **B)** FLTF/WLIB Don Zakat) **C)** CMDHD Steven King, Joel Vernier
13. Old Business: **A)** POS/TOT informational guest speakers **B)** Special Ass Private Roads **E)** B&K appraisal
14. New Business: **A)** L4029 with Audit Report **B)** Contract COLG **C)** WWTP bids **D)** Gladwin County Clerk Voting Contract **E)** Billings Township Clerk **F)** Road end request **G)** Blue Flame Contact **H)** Commentary mowing Cindy. **I)** GCT, Properties **J)** *Park Grant* **K)** Fire Dep.
15. Public Comment (Open to any topic 3 minutes)
16. Board Comments
17. Adjournment

*COLG: (Council of Local Government)

*WWTP: Wastewater Treatment Plant

*DPW: Department of Public Works

*APM: Advanced Pest Management

*MDARD: Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

*OEO: Ordnance Enforcement Officer

*CMDHD Central Michigan District Health Department

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**BILLINGS TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2023**

Call to Order: Supervisor Tim Mester called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge of Allegiance led by Tim Mester

Members Present Per Roll Call: Tim Mester, Len Pytlak, Cindy Whittington, Linda McSweyn, and Brian Johnson.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Agenda: Len Pytlak made a motion to add the following additions to the agenda: Dave Pettersch, Gladwin County Road Commission and Electric to Pole Barn for Waste Water Treatment Plant, 2nd by Brian Johnson. Motion carried. Roll Call: Tim Mester – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes, and Brian Johnson – Yes. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes: Cindy Whittington mentioned correcting June 12, 2023 minutes to read that she is looking into new sign for the cemetery, not the sea wall issues. Tim Mester made a motion to accept correction and approve June 12, 2023 minutes, 2nd by Cindy Whittington. motion approved Motion carried.

Approval of Bills to be Paid: Len Pytlak motioned to approve the June 2023 payables, 2nd by Tim Mester. Roll Call: Tim Mester – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes, and Brian Johnson – Yes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Len stated that he will be looking into transferring some funds. Linda McSweyn made a motion to accept Treasurer's report as presented, 2nd by Cindy Whittington. Roll Call: Tim Mester – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes and Brian Johnson – Yes. Motion carried. Len mentioned purchasing a wooden playground ship for Park & Rec and stain it with the funds from the capital budget. After a discussion, Cindy Whittington made a motion to purchase ship from Jim's Amish Structures for \$11,075.00 and stain it, 2nd by Linda McSweyn. Roll Call: Tim Mester – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes, and Brian Johnson – Yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Charter advising that around July 28, 2023, Spectrum will launch carriage of AMC+ on Channel 604 for \$7.99 monthly. Around August 1, 2023 Spectrum will launch carriage of Jewish Broadcasting Service on Channel 480 and Jewish Life Television on Channel 481.

Fire Chief's Report: Fire Chief Dale Rottman gave report for the month of June 2023. Fire Department had 36 calls from June 1, 2023, to June 30, 2023. Training for the month of July is Ladders and Forcible Entry. Dale said the Storage Barn looked good and ready for inspection. Reporting software for the State Reporting System (NFIRS) should be ready by the end of July. Tanker 20's rear electric dump & Chevron update is installed but still needs open & closed lights installed along with tags. The new suburban for Bentley Township is in and in the works to put into service.

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WWTP REPORT: Andy Gwizdala, Plant Manager, reported on behalf of Infrastructure Alternatives covering the operations, maintenance, and management of Billings Township Wastewater Treatment Facility, along with the collection system. **WWTP REPORT:** This Monthly Operating Reports covers **June 2023**. The wastewater treatment plant performed well during **June** with no monthly NPDES Permit violations. 2.0 million gallons of wastewater was discharged from the wastewater treatment plant and was given full treatment during **June 2023**. The average daily flow during discharge from the wastewater treatment was 66,000 gallons. The maximum daily flow was 81,348 gallons. We had 2 alarms for grinder station issues.

Constable: Liquor inspections were done at the following businesses with no issues: Eagles #3655, Sandy's Market, Nikki's Family Restaurant & Dollar General and Off the Hook Tavern. Wixom Lake Gas and Launch is inactive.

DPW: Jason Kumpelis commented that maintenance work needs to be done on the lawn mower.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Nothing to report.

Ordinance Enforcement: Sandy Streeter gave a lengthy typed report on all complaints, letters that were sent, citations issued, complaints on hold, complaints resolved, complaints dismissed, and court dates set.

Park and Recreation Report: Dee Battista gave a successful report on the Blue & Gold Star Memorial Dedication held on June 17, 2023. Larry Woodward said the grass is growing and he is mowing. He mentioned that the fence needs repair, and that Consumers needs to disconnect the transformers. Weather permitting, we have Music in the park on the following Wednesdays in August: 3rd - Crosstown Drifters (Southern/Classic Rock), 10th - 23 North (Oldies), 17th - The Gabe & Tom Show (Variety) & 24th - Jonathan Harper & Friends (Acoustic/Contemporary). Larry said Park Committee Meeting is Tuesday July 11th, 2023 at 6 P.M. Larry said he met with Bob North on an idea for Emergency Center Shelter and Internet Security and would be looking into grants.

Road Report: Dave Pettersch said that he checked into lowering the speed limit on Wieman Road from Estey Road to Park and said no changes will be made. He will look into having a marked crosswalk for Park when Wixom Lake comes back. Dave mentioned the renewal mileage for the roads on the 8/8/2023 election. Dave talked about the bridge funds that are available and grants pay 50%.

Commissioners Report: Tami O'Donnell gave the following dates and places to attend regarding Law Enforcement Mileage: 8/2/23 – Town Hall meeting with the Sherrif at the Park Pavilion, 7/24/23 - City of Gladwin, 8/4/23 City of Beaverton at the Beaverton Athletic Center, 7/26/23 – Butman Township Hall. Wixom Lake Improvement Board meeting on Thursday July 13th at 6 P.M. Hazardous Waste is open from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. on July 29th at the Department of Public Works. The 10th annual ORV Fun Fest sponsored by Gladwin Chamber is Saturday August 19th from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Four Lakes Task Force (FLTF) - Don Zakatt said that 630 acres was sprayed starting at the M-30 bridge to the Park. Also stated that 240 acres sprayed on Sanford Lake. Weather conditions have to be light winds and helicopter is 80' from shores. Committee discussing restarting assessments for winter taxes.

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Old Business: Brian Johnson made a motion to accept Hammer Builders bid of \$4500.00 for 6 concrete posts on the sides of the garage doors and well head, 2nd by Tim Mester. Roll Call: Tim Mester – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes, and Brian Johnson – Yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the current Point of Sale at the time of transfer. Cindy Whittington made a motion to repeal current Point of Sale, 2nd by Brian Johnson. Roll Call: Cindy Whittington – Yes, Brian Johnson – Yes, Len Pytlak – No, Linda McSweyn – No, and Tim Mester – No. Motion failed.

Brian Johnson made a motion to amend the current Point of Sale without the water wells, 2nd by Len Pytlak. Roll Call: Tim Mester – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes, and Brian Johnson – Yes. Motion carried.

Gladwin Chamber sent annual membership fee and a discussion was held not to join this year.

New Business: Board received two bids for running electricity to Pole Barn at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Bock Electric \$4,125.00 and TriCity Electric for \$4,015.00. Linda McSweyn made a motion to accept TriCity Electric bid for \$4,015.00, 2nd by Len Pytlak. Roll Call: Tim Mester – Yes, Len Pytlak – Yes, Cindy Whittington – Yes, Linda McSweyn – Yes. Motion carried. Brian Johnson – abstain.

Cindy Whittington received a bid from Spicer to survey Billings Cemetery and do maps. After a discussion the Board decided to table to August meeting.

Public Comments: Larry Aldrich will do complaint form. Don Pease will do complaint form regarding parked cars and boats on right-of-way.

Board Comments: Brian Johnson will look into extending sewer. Linda McSweyn mentioned that the new copy machines does not have codes and she is working with Veterans on issue with door locks.

Tim Mester thanks everyone for the 4th of July parade.

Adjournment: Tim Mester motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8.27 p.m., 2nd by Cindy Whittington. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Minutes taken by Lorraine Hedrich, Township Deputy Clerk

Minutes approved at Billings Township Board meeting _____.

DATE

TIMOTHY MESTER, SUPERVISOR

LINDA J. MCSWEYN, CLERK