

Quincy Township Meeting

May 3, 2023

PRESENT: Gene Brand, Connie Karney, Jim Harmon, Marilyn Ostrander and Marc Brand.

ABSENT: None

GUEST: Matt Ashenfelter, Erica Ewers, Cindy Harleton, Chris Warncke, Stepanie Studer, Bill & Lisa Bowerman and Alicea Chevrier.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Gene Brand.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Harmon.

Moment of Silence for Bob Mitchell.

Agenda additions- B-Taylor Plant & Watkins. C- Township Correspondence

APPROVAL of MINUTES of April 4, 2023. Ostrander made the motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. M. Brand supported. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL of BILLS- Harmon made the motion to pay the bills as submitted. Ostrander supported. All in favor, motion carried.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT- Helped Connie with the reports for the County to wrap up tax collection process & balancing. The database was rolled over to 2024 on April 9. Quincy Township filing is completely caught up. Cabinets are full. Did purge some old 1995 software manuals that were obsolete to make room for more stuff. Data entry is caught up with other townships and thus will be starting with Quincy next. Back to picking up paperwork at Equalization and Branch County Abstract on a regular basis.

BRANCH COUNTY- The County Board of Commissioners are looking into funding for 24 hour coverage of patrol for the Sheriffs Department.

CEMETARY REPORT- The cemetery needs a quitclaim deed done for the property lines at the cemetery. 5 properties currently have outstanding zoning violations. Prices are going up so we should look at raising the price for foundations in the cemetery.

ZONING REPORT- 8 Zoning permits issued April 2023. 2 land splits were processed. 1 ZBA hearing. 5 properties with outstanding zoning violations.

FIRE ASSOCIATION- Next meeting is June 8, 2023.

Public Comments- None

OLD BUSINESS- A. Resolution to support reinstating Sheriff Deputies. The resolution was looked over by the board. It was in agreement that everyone would like to see the Sheriffs Department have 24 hour road patrol coverage. M. Brand made a motion to adopt the resolution, Ostrander supported. All in favor, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS- A. Laptop computers for elections- It has been quite some time since the laptops were purchased for elections. To keep the elections running smooth it was proposed that they be replaced for future elections. The board seemed to be in favor of replacing the current laptops. This was tabled until pricing can be found.

B. Taylor Plant & Watkins- We received a proposal for the audit of March 2023. The price is not to exceed \$6400. M. Brand made a motion to accept the proposal received from Taylor Plant & Watkins. Ostrander supported. All in favor, motion passed.

C. Township Correspondence- Connie Karney turned in her letter of resignation as Quincy Township Treasurer effective June 1 2023. After many years of service it was a hard decision to make. What started as a part time position has turned into a full time position. G. Brand made a motion to accept Connie's resignation. M. Brand supported. All in favor, motion passed.

Adjourned at 8:20 PM

Respectfully submitted by

Marc Brand

Quincy Township Clerk