

Chase Township  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
August 16, 2022

Board Members

Ken Pollaski- Supervisor   Amy Patterson- Clerk   Phil Lodholtz- Trustee  
Janel Eichenberg- Treasurer   Joyce Beach- Trustee

Meeting Called To Order

Clerk Amy Patterson brought the Chase Township Board meeting to order at 7:31pm. Roll call shows Amy Patterson, Joyce Beach, and Janel Eichenberg present. Phil Lodholtz and Ken Pollaski absent. (Ken Pollaski entered meeting late via phone conference call due to illness.)

Approval of Minutes

Joyce Beach moved to approve the July 19, 2022 regular meeting minutes with correction. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report

*General Account*

Beginning balance July 2022 was \$329,626.29. Income received \$95,283.38. Expenses \$11,589.76. Leaving a balance of \$413,319.91.

*Library Account*

Beginning balance for July 2022 was \$61,263.52 Income received \$28,231.45. Expenses \$1,707.67. Leaving a balance of \$87,787.30.

*Tax Account*

Beginning balance for July 2022 was \$1,000.19. Income received \$84,887.18. Expenses \$84,883.93. Leaving a balance of \$1,003.44.

Clerks Report

Bills presented for approval:

Township Bills in the amount of \$11,040.47

Library bills \$2,078.18 were approved by the library board.

Joyce Beach made a motion to pay bills. Janel Eichenberg seconded.

Amy Yes, Joyce Yes, Janel yes, Motion passed. (Phil and Ken absent)

Brief Public Comment

Ed Schultz and his wife came to the board with concerns over a piece of property with an excessive amount of trash. They were wondering what could be done to force a cleanup of the property. The township is not zoned and even if it was other townships have found that it's not enforceable. The board advised them to use the blue budget bags and bag the trash on the roadside so Independent Rural Waste will pick it up or call the company to see if they could pay a flat fee to clean up what's on the curb side.

Speakers/Guests:

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*Howard Lodholtz commissioner-* paid down the TRV should be done January, will be paying for the jail as well. Got grant money from DNR for ORV training center.

*Jeff Stein Reed City Fire Department-* City council approved the fire contracts and now they will be sent to townships for approval. Fire department has 17 members strong.

New Business:

*Library update-* Joyce Beach gave a library update. The board appointed a new member, still one member short. The board discussed doing an employee review but will be holding off until December. Board members will be doing a tour through the library to address safety and organization.

*Hall rental-* Janel Eichenberg wanted to take back over hall rental that she had given up previously. Amy Patterson is handling hall rentals at this time and refused to give the job up willingly as she felt she was doing an adequate job, is closer to the hall for people to pick up the keys, and doesn't want the back and forth of job duties. The board tabled the discussion until the next meeting.

Old Business

*Hall furniture-* Janel found 8ft tables at Menards for \$129.99 and chairs for \$29.99 each. The township hall currently has 12 tables.

Amy Patterson made a motion for Janel to purchase 6 tables from Menards for \$129.99 each. Joyce Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

*Pioneer Cemetery-* Joyce Beach made a motion to deed over the Pioneer Cemetery to the Eichenberg family. Seconded by Amy Patterson. Roll call vote: Amy yes, Joyce yes, Janel abstained, Ken yes (entered meeting late via phone conference call). Motion passed.

*School property-* Attorney Russ Lewis misplaced the file box for the school property in his office move. Is working to find the file, in the meantime Amy will send him the property Id number.

*Garage move/build-* Ken updated that building is waiting on a contractor, should be around \$14,100 for the new build.

Amy Patterson made a motion to move forward with a new building at cemetery. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg. Roll call vote: Amy yes, Joyce yes, Janel yes, ken yes. Motion passed.

*Library Playground-* the playground was approved by the county for a 50% match. The project grant is being written and Amy will sign as soon as possible to get the project started. Shanna Avery will do a drawing of the playground to present at the fall festival.

*Building change at hall:* Janel found someone that said the hall renovations she proposed does not need an architect, but she did find an architect in Cadillac.

Citizens Time

Adjournment:

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Motion to adjourn meeting by Joyce Beach, seconded by Amy Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.  
Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy Patterson  
Chase Township Clerk