

Chase Township  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
February 18, 2025

Board Members

Phil Lodholtz- Supervisor Amy Patterson- Clerk Joyce Beach- Trustee  
Janel Eichenberg- Treasurer Sarah Nyp- Trustee

**Meeting Called To Order**

Supervisor Phil Lodholtz brought the Chase Township Board meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Roll call shows Janel Eichenberg, Joyce Beach, Sarah Nyp, Phil Lodholtz, and Amy Patterson present.

**Approval of Minutes**

Sarah Nyp moved to approve the January 21, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Joyce Beach. Roll call vote shows Janel Eichenberg yes, Joyce Beach yes, Phil Lodholtz yes, Amy Patterson yes, Sarah Nyp yes. Motion passed.

**Treasurers Report**

*General Account*

Beginning balance January 2025 was \$279,188.94. Income received \$40,141.96. Expenses \$26,809.53 leaving a balance of \$292,521.37.

*Library Account*

Beginning balance for January 2025 was \$78,670.12. Income received \$586.82. Expenses \$3,569.93. Leaving a balance of \$75,687.01.

*Tax Account*

Beginning balance for January 2025 was \$1,015.38. Income received \$259,526.46. Expenses \$259,511.37. Leaving a balance of \$1,030.47.

**Clerks Report**

Bills presented for approval:

Township Bills in the amount of \$11,215.47

Library bills \$6,309.69 were approved by the library board.

Amy Patterson made a motion to pay bills. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg.

Janel yes, Joyce yes, Sarah yes, Phil yes, Amy yes. Motion passed.

**Brief Public Comment**

**Speakers/Guests:**

*Library representative-* Board member Joyce Beach gave an update. Library board meeting will be moved to the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm, beginning on March 4<sup>th</sup> 2025.

*Jeff Stein* Fire Department- gave an update on total call volume and the amount of calls to our township. Discussed that he had spoken with the City attorney regarding our townships contract term.

Commissioner Howard Lodholtz- update on what the county is completing.

Rick Haslock Road Commission- update on 72<sup>nd</sup> to prep for blacktop that private citizens have contracted with the county to complete.

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Superintendent of Reed City Area Public Schools Michael Sweet spoke about the bond proposal they have put up for vote on the May 2025 ballot.

**New Business**

*Library rent-* Janel Eichenberg made a motion to increase the library rent to cover increasing expenses to \$450 per month starting April 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. Seconded by Sarah Nyp. Motion passed unanimously.

*Investing-* Joyce Beach made a motion to invest in three, seven month CD's in the amount of \$50,000 each through Lake Osceola State Bank. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg. Motion passed unanimously.

Poverty exemption- Janel Eichenberg made a motion to accept the poverty exemption presented with corrections as discussed. Seconded by Sarah Nyp. Roll call vote: Sarah Nyp yes, Joyce Beach yes, Phil Lodholtz yes, Janel Eichenberg yes, Amy Patterson absent. Motion carried. Completed resolution will be posted to the township website.

**Old Business/Board members**

*Assessor-* discussion about the assessor and his contract. He has been under the township as a w-2 employee and will need to have his own work comp insurance and will then be changed to a 1099 contractor. Discussion about how to make sure our assessors are completing the necessary work, going forward the township needs to see a report of completed work each month.

*Clerk- Election-* Clerk Amy Patterson has looked into different options for accounting software and hasn't found anything comparable, she will be staying with QuickBooks.

*Treasurer-* Janel Eichenberg has BS&A assisting her to put a check box on tax bills to request receipt, it will appear on the summer tax bills.

*Furnace repair-* still on hold to be repaired.

*Speaker system-* Sarah Nyp made a motion for the treasurer to purchase a \$25 microphone system. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg. Roll call vote: Sarah Nyp yes, Joyce Beach yes, Phil Lodholtz yes, Janel Eichenberg yes, Amy Patterson absent. Motion carried.

**Citizens Time**

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn meeting by Sarah Nyp. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy Patterson  
Chase Township Clerk