

Chase Township  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
January 21, 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**

Joyce Beach moved to approve the December 17, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Sarah Nyp. 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 December 2024 was \$284,497.12. Income received \$5,713.53. Expenses \$11,021.71 leaving a balance of \$279,188.94.

*Library Account*

Beginning balance for December 2024 was \$84,104.93. Income received \$84.51. Expenses \$5,519.32. Leaving a balance of \$78,670.12.

*Tax Account*

Beginning balance for December 2024 was \$1,011.36. Income received \$338,107.81. Expenses \$338,103.79. Leaving a balance of \$1,015.38.

**Clerks Report**

Bills presented for approval:

Township Bills in the amount of \$26,534.53

Library bills \$3,449.93 were approved by the library board.

Joyce Beach made a motion to pay bills. Seconded by Sarah Nyp.

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

**Brief Public Comment**

**Deb Barry would like to have her following concerns noted: PA system, recording meetings, library spending, library board members, if jobs are put up for bid.**

**Speakers/Guests:**

*Library representative-* Board member Joyce Beach gave an update. Librarian Roxanne Ware is making progress in cataloging the libraries books and has approximately 5000 in the system to date. Next meeting will be the annual librarian review. They will also be going over the library budget for the next fiscal year.

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*Jeff Stein* Fire Department- gave an update on total call volume and the amount of calls to our township. New truck is still expected to be completed and delivered in April.  
Sheriff Rich Martin- gave an update on pending cases that are being prosecuted or investigated. Previous bank robbery case is going to be retried along with a homicide/body found case. The department is working with a specialized team out of Genesee County that focuses on catching sex offenders.

Rick Haslock Road Commission- He is part of a special committee that is trying to get the rails to trails from Baldwin to Reed City updated to asphalt. The next meeting is January 28th at 7pm in Hersey. The committee is looking for any input or participants to further their project.  
The road commission is working on removing trees from 72<sup>nd</sup> to Hawkins rd. in preparation to a private road paving project.

**New Business**

Lake county officers meeting will be held at the Chase hall on January 23, 2025 at 7pm.

**Old Business/Board members**

Assessor- Casey Guthrie is finishing up land values and getting them entered into the system. BOR is March 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. He received a quote from KCI for approximately \$750.00 for printing and mailing assessment changes and notices.

Janel Eichenberg made a motion to approve up to \$800.00 to use KCI for the assessment printing and mailing. Seconded by Amy Patterson. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk- Election- Clerk Amy Patterson was contacted and the election tabulator has been repaired. She has an added expense and is trying to find a resolution, previously she purchased the annual quickbooks software for accounting and then the payroll service was under our auditor to save the township the expense. The auditor is not updating her quickbooks payroll services going further, so Amy had to purchase a month of quickbooks with payroll. She is looking into other options.

Furnace repair- the furnace had a line break and flooded the back room at the hall into the kitchen area. Janel contacted Phil and Eli HVAC to come and repair the furnace.

BOR- board of review members Linda Thornbro, Julie Satterlee, Roberta Case, Robert Creek, and Phil Lodholtz attended training.

**Citizens Time**

Discussion and comments about library, fire services/contract, hall cleaning, roads and road funding, what constitutes essential services, and budgetary concerns.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn meeting by Amy Patterson. Seconded by Joyce Beach. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Amy Patterson  
Chase Township Clerk