# New Hartford Township

# MINUTES

# for the Monthly Meeting

# October 10, 2024, 7:00 pm

# New Hartford Town Hall

**Attendance**

Supervisors: Larry Moldenhauer, Joe Baumgartner

Clerk: Kathy Klawiter

Treasurer: Michael Moor

Maintenance:

Fire Chief: Cody Gehrke

Guests: Cody Gehrke, Lance Klessig, Bob Bruno, Vickie Baumgartner, Carolyn van Shaik, Joe Nickolotti

Meeting called to order by Chairman Joe Baumgartner at 7:10 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of minutes for the regular meeting of September 10, 2024 – Motion to accept by Joe Baumgartner, seconded by Larry Moldenhauer; approved.

**Public** **Comment**

Lance Klessig requested an acknowledge form to present to Winona County for a Conditional Use permit for a greenhouse and certain other items of agra-tourism. Motion to approve by Joe and seconded by Larry. Form signed by Joe Baumgartner.

Joe Nickolotti raised concerns about responses received from board members when residents bring up complaints about the roads and current maintenance. It was explained that there is only so much the board can do as the grader is currently disabled and has been for several weeks. We are still depending on temporary help since Willie is still not available for regular maintenance and will continue to be unavailable for some time. It was also noted that it is currently too dry to be able to grade the roads. We are just trying to get by on the roads. The grader should be repaired soon.

**Fire Department Report** –

1. Bob Bruno will complete the application for a grant from the Gary Sinise Fund for a Lucas Compression Machine.
2. Bob also asked for information on the contract between Richmond Township and the fire department at the September meeting. He said it is a 3-year contract. Kathy tried to find a copy of it but was unsuccessful. Bob will try to find their copy.
3. McQueen was paid but didn’t clear bank. Will be voided and reissued. This was from June. Strobes bill from January for $94.19 has not been paid. Cody will pay with a credit card.

**Road Reports**

1. Lanes Valley Rd. update –Seal coating Completed. Discussion was started for planning what future roads should be done.
2. Grader should be fixed and back next week.
3. The Plow truck cylinder has been repaired.
4. Loren Moldenhauer and Carl Ukkestad will be handling maintenance on the roads temporarily until Willie can return to work. This includes snow plowing in the winter.
5. Rented a tractor from Hammel Implement and mowing will be completed shortly.
6. $12,000 is set aside each year for equipment replacement. We track it in the capital equipment fund but is not a separate bank account.

**Old Business**

1. Motion made by Joe Baumgartner and seconded by Larry Moldenhauer to approve outstanding claims to Mi energy and Kwik Trip, along with all other claims paid tonight. Approved.
2. DOJ update- The new concrete in front of door will be done on Monday October 14. We have received the official citation.
3. Residents have been calling for information on when dust control spraying will be done. Dust control will not be done this fall as it is too late in the season.
   1. Joe Baumgartner attended the (Oct 1, 2024) meeting of the Dresbach Town Board and discussed plowing and grading of their roads. These include parts of Lanes Valley Road, Beaches Vally and Beuhlers Ridge.
4. Too late for dust control to be done.
5. Still need verification on the correct hours to bill Dresbach Township for grading Buehlers Ridge as that was the day the grader broke down. Need to break out the hours spent actually grading.

**New Business**

1. Clerk’s Report
2. Kathy will attend year end training for Township accounting reporting in November.
3. Notifed of county hearing on ordinance for animals (dogs) On October 17th.
4. Kathy will attend year end accounting training in November. (November 18th).
5. Kathy will organize the office for better use of space.
6. Treasurer’s Report:
7. Starting balance tonight: $322,188.52
8. Spent tonight: $148,716.18
9. Balance tonight: $173,472.34
10. This month last year: September 12, 2023 $252,390.83
11. Will keep $10,000 in Money Market account at ESB.

Motion to Adjourn - Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:30 p.m. by Joe Baumgartner, second by Larry Moldenhauer; all approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Klawiter 11/14/2024

Approved by:

Chairman Joe Baumgartner Date

Witnessed:

Kathy Klawiter, Clerk Date