

Maple Grove Township Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 2025/03/17 Presented by: Tish Yaros - Clerk

The meeting was held in person and called to order at 7:27 p.m. Supervisor Peterman, Treasurer Jaster, Clerk Yaros, Trustee Erhardt and Trustee Ebenhoeh were present.

A motion was made by Trustee Ebenhoeh to approve the February 17th, 2025 meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Peterman. Motion passed.

Chief Andres noted he is awaiting the results of the written test for his 3 officers to become official fire fighters. Jaws testing will be held on March 24th and now that the budget is approved he will begin scheduling the rest of the required testing. Andres noted that all burn permits are to be obtained if the fire is bigger than a fire ring. Residents will need to get the permit from the webpage. Chief Andres also addressed the fact that the fire trucks are continuing to age and a plan for their replacements needs to be addressed soon.

Treasurer Jaster discussed the tax disbursement spreadsheet that was in the board packet.

Clerk Yaros reminded everyone that the April board meeting will be held on April 14th at 7:00 p.m. to accommodate the Election Commission Meeting, which will be held at 6:45 p.m., the same day. Starting in April, we will be processing payroll on the first of the month to allow time for the board packets to be distributed earlier. All invoices will also need to be into me by the Thursday before the board meeting to allow time for processing. Also, starting in April, the Agenda and board packets will be handled by Supervisor Peterman and the minutes will be condensed to only contain mandatory required information. Clerk Yaros noted that when the transition from the old board members to the new board members the retirement got miscalculated, Deputy Clerk Yaros has been working through all the issues and will have that resolved and set up properly for the new Fiscal Year. Clerk Yaros also reminded everyone that there will be a May 6th Special Election for Montrose voters only. Anyone wanting to get on the permanent ballot list should call the office. Ballots will go in the mail sometime next week.

Clerk Yaros discussed the Sick Time Policy that was in the board packet. After review of the proposed changes, Clerk Yaros motioned to approve resolution 2025-03-01 Sick Time Policy, seconded by Trustee Ebenhoeh. Motion passed.

Supervisor Peterman noted that the Performance Resolution for Municipalities presented at the January 20th board meeting can be disregarded. No action was taken. Peterman discussed the Township hall remodel project Supervisor Peterman motioned to approve Resolution 2025-03-02 DNR Passport Grant Authorization, seconded by Trustee Ebenhoeh. Motion passed. Peterman also noted that there were 2 residents that came in during the Board of Review meetings. Supervisor Peterman motioned to return the \$450 Planning Commission Meeting portion of the Special Use Permits fee in the event that they don't require a special meeting of the Planning Commission, no additional council is needed and there are unused funds, seconded by Trustee Ebenhoeh. Motion passed.

Clerk Yaros motioned to pay bills 21485 thru 21529 for a total of \$54, 874.09, seconded by Supervisor Peterman. Motion passed.

Public Comment: A question was asked about the 5 year road plan and what was going to be completed this year. It was noted that Diamond Dust was delivered to the diamonds and will be excavated soon. There will be a Retirement reception for Chief Pat Andres, Assistant Chief Carl Wendling, Assistant Chief Rick Wendling and Fire Fighter Joe Andres on Sunday, April 13th from 2:00-5:00 p.m. in the Township Hall. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend and thank these individuals for their many years of service.

Supervisor Peterman motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Ebenhoeh. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.