

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the
Port Sheldon Township Board
April 10, 2024 – 5:30 P.M.**

1. Call to order
2. Roll Call
Present: Michael Sabatino, Meredith Hemmeke, Rachel Frantom, Bill Monhollon and Lucas DeVries.
Absent: None
Also present: Attorney, Ron Bultje, Fire Chief, Brad Dirkse, Ottawa County Treasurer, Cheryl Clark, and four residents/guests.
3. Pledge of allegiance.
4. Invocation
Luke DeVries offered the invocation.
5. Additions to Agenda:
6. Approval of Agenda.
Motion by Luke DeVries to approve the agenda. Supported by Rachel Frantom and carried.
7. Consent Agenda Approval
 - a. Approve Minutes- March 13, 2024 Regular Meeting.
 - b. Approve Financial Report
 - c. Approve Correspondence:
 - d. Approve Committee Reports
 - Building – March – twelve permits issued with four new house starts.
 - Fire Department – March report – sixteen calls and two meetings.
 - e. Approve payment of Bills**Motion** by Luke DeVries to approve the consent agenda. Supported by Rachel Frantom and carried.
8. Reach for Recovery Funding Request.
Motion by Rachel Frantom to approve Reach for Recovery’s Appropriations agreement in the amount of \$1,500.00 and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign. Supported by Luke DeVries and carried with five yes roll call votes. Yes: Michael Sabatino, Meredith Hemmeke, Rachel Frantom, Bill Monhollon and Luke DeVries. Nays: None
9. Herrick Library Millage/Invoicing Discussion.
Treasurer provided information on current library millage, the current millage is not adequate to support the invoicing received from Herrick Library. The board discuss the options for the millage.
Motion by Bill Monhollon to adopt Resolution 2024-09 Library Services New Millage Proposition, approving ballot question language to provide funding for library services. The question shall be submitted to the qualified voters of Port Sheldon Township, at the August 6, 2024 State Primary Election. Supported by Rachel Frantom and carried with 5 yes roll call votes. Yes: Michael Sabatino, Meredith Hemmeke, Rachel Frantom, Bill Monhollon and Luke DeVries. Nays: None.
10. Snowberry Drive Abandonment Discussion.
Ottawa County Road Commission filed a quit claim deed to abandon the Snowberry Drive public right-of-away, giving the rights to Port Sheldon Township.
Motion by Rachel Frantom to direct the township attorney to draw up quit claim deeds for disbursement of Snowberry Drive Right of way to the abutting property owners, once utility easements are secured, and to authorize township officials to sign and execute the abandonment documents. Supported by Lucas DeVries and carried with five yes roll call votes. Yes: Michael

Sabatino, Meredith Hemmeke, Rachel Frantom, Bill Monhollon and Luke DeVries. Nays: None.

11. Township Hall Park Naming Discussion.

Motion by Rachel Frantom to receive submission from township residents for naming of the township hall park. Submissions will be received and the top five will be chosen by township officials to be voted on by the residents at the Centennial Celebration.

12. Hall Rental Policy Amendments.

Hall Rental Policy Amendments were reviewed for cancellation/refunds and allowing catering for Hall Rental Events.

Motion by Rachel Frantom to approve the Hall Rental Policy Amendment. Supported by Luke DeVries and carried.

13. Centennial Committee Report

Supervisor relayed the plan and schedule for the Centennial Celebration Events.

14. Additions to the Agenda: None

15. Public Comment.

Dennis Eade, - Executive director of Michigan Steelhead & Salmon Fishermen's Association spoke in regard to the decommissioning of the power plant and their concerns for future public access to the North pier for anglers.

Cheryl Clark, newly appointed County Treasurer, spoke about her experience and also spoke on the annual report from the County Treasurers office. She is also a candidate for County Treasurer on the August and November Ballot.

16. Adjourn

Motion by Bill Monhollon to adjourn. Supported by Meredith Hemmeke and carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:14 pm.

Meredith Hemmeke, Clerk