

Echo Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2023

Derenzy called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board members present: Hott, Derenzy, Petrie & Kucharek; absent Graham. Fourteen guests in the audience. Pledge of Allegiance recited by all.

September minutes reviewed by the Board. Motion by Hott to approve minutes; supported by Petrie. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report reviewed by the Board. Motion by Petrie to approve Treasurer's report; supported by Kucharek. Motion carried.

Motion by Petrie to approve payment of bills, as presented, totaling \$25,859.47; supported by Hott. Motion carried.

Public Comment: (1) Representatives for the CL School, Monique Dean and Mark Eckhardt, gave an overview of the Bond Proposal to appear on the November 7th ballot. They answered many questions from the Board and members of the audience. (2) Sheriff Kevin Hoch introduced his new Undersheriff, George Lasater, Jr., to the Board and those in attendance. Sheriff Hoch also spoke about the need for a new Public Safety Center and the survey that has been mailed to over 5,000 Antrim County residents. (3) Commissioner LaVanway reviewed the Commissioner's report.

New Business: Motion by Kucharek to approve Echo Township's Single Municipality Early Voting Plan, 2024 state and federal elections; supported by Hott. Motion carried.

Discussion: Township received a refund due to workman's comp audit recently submitted.

Supervisor Report: (1) Updated Board on a Kidder Road. Contacted Ralph Hines who will reach out to Burt, AC Road Commissioner, on when his company can begin removing the dead trees. (2) Township Park: as of November 1, the port-a-johns will be gone and the dumpster will be locked. Supervisor requested the dock be removed effective October 4. Several accidents have occurred in the last two years involving the new dock. Pilings will be in place prior to the 2024 boating season. Other Park needs: new concrete on approach, drive needs to be built up, more beach sand near the swings, slide, and merry-go-round.

Motion made by Hott; supported by Petrie to adjourn at 8:45pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Kucharek, Clerk