

WRIGHT TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2010
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The following minutes were taken at the January, 2010 board meeting and are currently unapproved.

1. The regular board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Becker at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge and a prayer. Board members present were JoAnn Becker, Linda Way and Josh Westgate. A motion was made by Way and supported by Westgate to approve the absence of Schoenborn and Worrell. Motion carried.
2. No additions to the agenda
3. A motion was made by Westgate and supported by Becker to approve the bills in the amount of \$31,846.18 and to accept the treasurer's report, Trust and Agency and Tax Account Profit & Loss. Motion carried. A motion was made by Westgate and supported by Becker to approve the minutes of December 16, 2009 Regular Board as written. Motion carried.
4. No public comments.
5. A reception was held for Wright Township volunteers. They were recognized with a plaque and extreme appreciation. Those honored were: Jim Walcott, Rodney Prys, Bud & Cole Visser, Mike Blakmer, Joel & Dan Weurding, Alice Neubecker, AAA Lawn Care, Putt Popma, Mike Keefe, Dave Nowicki, Roland DeVries, Standale Garden Club, Chuck Ottenwess, Frank Klein, Mike Ledford, Gary Karr & Jim Becker.
6. Mike Blackmore presented his schedule. A motion was made by Way and supported by Westgate to approve the Berlin Raceway calendar. Motion carried.
7. Changes to the cemetery ordinance were discussed. We will determine if we can make the changes with a resolution instead of amendment.
8. A FREE AARP Tax Program will be offered to those ages 60 and over. Seniors can call 616 842-9210 to make an appointment. The dates for Coopersville locations are the Community Ed Building at Coopersville Schools for Wed, Feb 10 and Feb 17 and at River Village on Wed Mar 10 and The Depot on Wed Mar 17. All times are from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Martha Cook is the NOCCOA contact person. Please call her at 616 842-9210 with any questions. Martha stated that 400 residents were served in 2009 saving them over \$280,000.
9. We received the annual bid from the Advance Newspaper and it is the highest increase since we have used the newspaper. A motion was made by Way and supported by Westgate to accept this bid, but we will be looking at other avenues including electronic.

Motion carried. (attached) Submit your email address to Wright Township to receive minutes electronically.

10. (a) A motion was moved by Becker and supported by Way to approve the smoke testing of the sanitary sewer system. Costs keep escalating and township engineers will be searching for leaks in the system. Motion carried.

(b) A motion was made by Way and supported by Westgate to approve a township sewer survey in the hopes of getting a grant to help lower sewer costs. Motion carried.

11. Dates for 2010-2011 Budget

Pre-Budget Workshop - Thursday, February 18 at 2 p.m.

Budget Prep Mtg – Wednesday, March 10 at 6 p.m.

Special Mtg w/ Budget Public Hearing – Thursday, March 25 at 7 p.m.

Closing of Books – Tuesday, March 23, 2010

12. Reports were given.

13. Supervisor Report given

14. No board concerns

15. The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Way, Wright Township Clerk