

Wilton Township  
Board of Trustees  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
May 14, 2019

- I. The May meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Gynith Borden with the Pledge of Allegiance following.

Present were Supervisor Gynith Borden, Clerk Jody Thatcher, Board of Trustees: Larry Christiansen, Kelly Farmer, Steve Quigley, and Janice Schultz, Road Commissioner Ray Nugent Jr., Community Building Manager Rich DeVries, Cemetery Sexton Alan Christiansen, along with other various community members.

- II. The Meeting Minutes for April was reviewed along with the Financial Statement for May, Larry Christiansen made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Janice Schultz seconded the motion, all in favor with Aye, motion unanimously carried.

- a. Approval of Road and Bridge Bills.
- b. Approval of Township Bills.

III. Public Comments

IV. Reports

- a. Supervisor Report

Will Dial-a-Ride (Pace Bus Service) is being proposed as an action item. Although Supervisor Borden supports the program and fully sees its benefits, she is concerned about funding the program while the community building loan is still in need of being paid off along with the township bridges needing major repairs. The board agreed and thought they need to be fiscally responsible for the entire township. While other townships are able to offer this service, those township receive a much higher amount of taxes levied from their community members to sustain the services. Each ride costs \$11.00, so even if a capped dollar amount was set, the funds would deplete extremely quickly. The entire board thought it would be better served to have this action item listed at the annual town meeting so as the entire community could weigh in on this program. Janice Schultz made a motion to table this action item until the next annual town meeting scheduled the second Tuesday in April of 2020, Larry Christiansen seconded the motion, all in favor with Aye, motion carried.

b. Road Commissioner Report

Ray Nugent reported there are still a few messes left over from the extreme heavy rainfall. The bridge on Tully had a big pile of debris and needed to have someone come in to cut down many of the big pieces of wood. There are several other bridges with mass debris, Ray is hoping the crew will have time to clean it up, however, may need to have outside assistance which would be costly. They are doing shoulder work with the disk and will have to keep up so as not to lose the edges of the roads. Hopefully calcium chloride will be put down in the next 30 days, depending on the weather. There was a large deposit to the R&B account from Com Ed as a result of the damage made on Elevator and Kennedy rd from them doing work on the tower. This Saturday, an Eagle Scout will be erecting a sign for the Wilton Township Road and Bridge building. Ray Nugent purchased and donated the sign. He will be looking to get media coverage for this milestone.

c. Planning Commission Report

d. Cemetery Report

Alan Christiansen reported they were able to mow the grass finally and there was not too much debris from all of the rain. There are a few branches that will have to be cut down and he will need to have a lift to do so. Within the next month, a company will be coming out to fix 2 headstones that were knocked over.

e. Community Building Report

Pastor Rich DeVries reported he added some plastic sign holders to the front doors of the building for postings. Rentals have been going smoothly.

f. Multiple Township Report

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

Jody Thatcher presented the board with the request of Peotone CUSD 207U wanting to utilize the community building on October 8th at 6 pm before the regularly scheduled board meeting to present information regarding a referendum which will be placed on the 2020 ballot. It was unanimously agreed upon to approve this request.

Kelly Farmer made a motion to request a 2K limit for Jody Thatcher to purchase a laptop and \$700 limit for Gynith Borden to purchase a printer. Steve Quigley seconded the motion, all in favor with aye, motion carries.

Janice Schultz made a motion to table the approval of the Township and Road and Bridge budget until next month's meeting, Steve Quigley seconded the motion, all in favor with aye, motion carries.

VII. Adjournment

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 7:30 PM at the Wilton Township Community Building. Janice Schultz moved to adjourn the April Meeting at 8:10 PM, Larry Christiansen seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jody Thatcher  
Wilton Township Clerk