

Mason Township Board  
Regular Meeting  
March 12, 2024

Supervisor Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the pledge of allegiance. Roll call was answered by all board members.

Supervisor Brandt welcomed the audience and asked for public comments.

Residents Pauline Konkle and Joella Krallman asked to speak about the “BOOMS” and gunfire in their neighborhood. She said the loud BOOMS and gunfire are at night after midnight. She has reported this to the Cass County Sheriff office. She wanted to know if the township board has any solutions to the problems. Undersheriff Rouch was in attendance and he stated he will look into the matter.

Undersheriff Rouch was promoting “Drug take back day.” If you have outdated, not need medication, please drop it off at the Sheriff Dept. They have a drop off container at this location. He reported the sheriff office has several candidates half way through school, and 4 more will graduate in May. They will be having “Marine Control” again this year. If anyone is thinking about a career in police enforcement, this is a good way to start.

Trustee Allen made the motion to approve tonight’s agenda, seconded by Trustee Arnold. Motion carried.

Trustee Arnold made the motion to approve the February minutes, seconded by Treasurer Chew. Motion carried.

Trustee Arnold made the motion to approve the treasurer’s report and payables for approval of \$11,591.79, seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call vote – Chew-yes, Arnold-yes, Allen-yes, Dull-yes and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.

Reports:

Commissioner Marchetti referred to the Soil Conservation seedling sale. The flyer is on the bulletin board in the lobby of the township hall. County Clerk McMichael reported on the February election. County wide – 9,360 voters, 275 early voting, 4,314 Absentee voters, 4,771 present day voters. The Niles Transportation committee reported US 12 between M60-Union will be redone in 2026.

Commissioner Lee is the chairperson of the newly formed committee looking into law enforcement. They meet weekly at 2pm in the County Commission room. They are discussing increasing wages for police and the prosecuting attorneys’ office. They would like to produce a video promoting EMT’s and fire dept. Any suggestion, contact R J Lee.

Zoning Administrator Krempec reported three more houses have applied for zoning permits. Although the State has permitted 7foot fence, it will not be in Mason Twp. until the ordinance is changed.

SEPSA no report, but they have 3 grants still open.

Planning Commission met on February 20, they listened to a gentleman wanting to purchase land on Stateline Rd. for storage for lawn service equipment. The PC replied he would need to live there and then a Home Base Business permit could be issued. Their next meeting is May 21, 6:30pm.

Building Dept. - 3 building permits, one renewal, electrical permits – 2, mechanical permits – 3, plumbing permits -3.

Unfinished or ongoing business:

1. The township received 2 quotes for lawn/snow services. Trustee Allen made the motion to accept the quote from Scott McCall, seconded by Trustee Arnold. Roll call vote – Arnold-yes, Allen-yes, Chew-yes, Dull-yes, and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.
2. All the quotes for restriping the parking lot are not in – tabled

New business:

1. Trustee Arnold made the motion to accept the 2024-2025 budget, seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call vote – Chew-yes, Arnold-yes, Allen-yes, Dull-yes, and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.
2. Clerk Dull made the motion to accept Resolution 3-12-24-01, Drinking water system at Linden Mobile Home Park, seconded by Treasurer Chew. Motion carried.
3. Supervisor Brandt reported he has asked the person who will be installing the security cameras to give his advice on the system to purchase. – tabled.

No correspondence.

Dates: Board of Review – March 15, 10am – 4 pm

Mason Twp. Board – April 9, 7pm

Planning Commission – May 21, 6:30pm.

Trustee Allen made the motion to adjourn at 7:45pm, seconded by Trustee Arnold. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Dull

Township Clerk