

ARCADIA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
February 11th, 2025

The regular meeting of the Arcadia Township Board was held on Tuesday February 11th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Arcadia Township Hall, 4900 Spencer Street, Lum, Michigan.

Supervisor Lashbrook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Supervisor Lashbrook, Clerk Poniatowski, Treasurer Skovran, Trustee Howe and Trustee Howell.

AGENDA: Moved by Skovran, seconded by Howe to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2025: Moved by Howe, seconded by Skovran to approve January 14, 2025 meeting minutes with correction. Motion carried.

PUBLIC TIME: Katie Grabowski spoke about Fire Chief appointment. Joyce Doyle spoke about Fire Chief appointment and complaint policy. Marlene Lazar spoke about Fire Chief and the appointment of a new Fire Chief. Jason Fox spoke about Fire Chief appointment. Steye Grabowski spoke about Fire Chief appointment and decision of subcommittee. Cheryl Gudzikowski spoke about Fire Department and complaint policy.

REPORTS:

POLICE REPORT/ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT: Officer Poniatowski reported 66 calls and 7 traffic stops for the month of January.

BUILDING PERMITS: There were no new permits for the month of January.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Knaggs reported 5 runs for the month of January.

CEMETERY REPORT: Sexton Steve Nihranz reported 1 non-residential burial for the month of January.

COUNTY COMMISSION REPORT: County Commissioner Ian Kempf was not available for comment.

NEW BUSINESS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT JOINT MEETING: A joint meeting between the Arcadia Township Board and Arcadia Township Fire Department will take place March 2nd, 2025 at 9:30am.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RULES & REGULATIONS: Moved by Skovran seconded by Poniatowski to approve the Arcadia Township Fire Department Rules and Regulations. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE COMPLAINT POLICY: Moved by Skovran seconded by Howe to table the Township Ordinance Complaint Policy to the next regular meeting of the Arcadia Township Board. Motion carried.

ABSENTEE BALLOT DROP BOX: Moved by Howell seconded by Howe to order M610 absentee ballot box provided it is at no cost to the township and that the township will cover the cost of the installation. Motion carried.

SEMCO ORDINANCE: Moved by Skovran seconded by Howe to table Semco ordinance until final draft is available from township attorney. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

BASEBALL RULES & REGULATIONS: Moved by Poniatowski seconded by Skovran to approve the 2025 Rules and Regulations for use of the Elsie Benner Memorial Park Baseball Field. Motion carried.

FIRE CHIEF UPDATE: Moved by Howe seconded by Howell to appoint Brian Lee as replacement Fire Chief for Tom Knaggs. Roll call vote: Lashbrook, aye Howe, aye Howell, aye Poniatowski, aye Skovran, aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Lashbrook stated that, "The board approves Brian Lee as Fire Chief pursuant to an agreement that the township attorney and the township supervisor approves.

ROADS: None

BILLS AND VOUCHERS: Moved by Skovran, seconded by Howell to approve the bills and vouchers including check #s 33419-33470 in the amount of \$38808.56. Motion carried.

BUDGET REVIEW: Moved by Howe, seconded by Skovran to approve the budget for the month of January. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT: Moved by Skovran, seconded by Poniatowski to waive the reading of January 31, 2025, treasurer's report and place it on file for audit. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Our Home Our Voice

BOARD COMMENTS: The respective representatives gave a brief synopsis, if available, of the Planning Commission, ZBA, Construction Code Authority, MTA, Lapeer County Road Commission and EMS.

PUBLIC TIME: Joyce Doyle spoke regarding complaint policy and fire department. Charlie Mann spoke regarding the fire department and blight policy. Steve Grabowski spoke regarding the fire department. James Love spoke regarding the fire department. Kelli Ross spoke regarding the fire chief appointment. Ray Swain spoke regarding green burials.

ADJOURN: Moved by Poniatowski, seconded by Howe to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. Motion carried.

Katie Poniatowski, Clerk

Patricia Lashbrook, Supervisor