

A regular monthly meeting of the Gilmore Township Board was held on Wednesday, February 9th, 2022 at the Gilmore Township Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gibbs, Silker, Lasher, McConnell, Marshall

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Silker to approve the agenda. All Yeas being heard the motion carries.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS: Steve Scoville the Superintendent of Farwell Schools was present and presented the Farwell Area Schools FAS Community Forum.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: A motion was made by McConnell and second by Silker to approve the December 8th, 2021 meeting minutes with one minor correction. All Yeas being heard the motion carries. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Silker to approve the December 16th, 2021 special meeting minutes with corrections. All Yeas being heard the motion carries.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer circulated a copy of the Treasurer's report for January 12th, 2022. A motion was made by Silker and seconded by Gibbs to approve the treasurer's report in the amount of \$15,196.69 with check numbers 8967-8984. All Yeas being heard the motion carries. The Treasurer circulated a copy of the Treasurer's report for February 9th, 2022 and read it aloud. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Silker to approve the treasurer's report in the amount of \$15,491.69 with check numbers 8985-9001. All Yeas being heard the motion carries.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A. Trash collection changes. A new company will be providing trash collection for the township starting in April 2022. Containers will be dropped off starting the middle of March.

B. ARPA funds, use and reporting. The Supervisor reported that the funds can be used for any normal township use including Township Hall Expansion/improvements.

C. Fire millage renewal. A discussion was held on placing the fire millage renewal on the August ballot. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by McConnell to adopt resolution 2-9-22-1. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-Yeas, Marshall Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas. Silker-Yeas. The motion carries.

D. FOIA request. The Clerk stated that he had prepared and submitted the answers for the FOIA request from True North Law.

NEW BUSINESS: A.2022 elections/ township election commission. The Clerk stated that election training for election workers will be the first week of March 2022. The Clerk also stated the need for an increase in the election worker's and the board of review worker's wages. There will be an election in May held at the township hall. The township election commission will be comprised of the Clerk, Supervisor and the Treasurer.

B. Assessor Contract. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Marshall to approve the contract with Boundary Assessing for the upcoming year. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas, Silker-Yeas. The motion carries.

C. Miscellaneous property tax resolutions.

1. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Silker to adopt resolution 2-9-22-3 allowing residents to protest to the Board of review in writing. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas, Silker-Yeas. The motion carries.
2. A motion was made by Silker and seconded by McConnell to adopt resolution 2-9-22-4 waiving the interest and penalties for property transfer affidavits. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas, Silker-Yeas. The motion carries.
3. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Marshall to adopt resolution 2-9-22-5 allowing for the adoption of alternate start dates for the March, July and December Board of Review dates. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas, Silker-Yeas. The motion carries.
4. A motion was made by Silker and seconded by Gibbs to adopt resolution 2-9-22-6 for the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas, Silker-Yeas. The motion carries.
5. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by McConnell to adopt resolution

2-9-22-7 to adopt procedures for granting and removing real property exemptions. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-yeas, Marshall-yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Gibbs-yeas, Silker-Yeas. The motion carries.

D. Clerk Compensation: A discussion was held on the Clerks annual compensation. A motion was made by Silker and seconded by Marshall to approve the increase in the clerk's compensation to \$14,100 per year. A roll call vote was taken; McConnell-naye, Marshall-yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Silker-yeas, Gibbs-abstained. The motion carries.

E. Cemetery maple trees. The board discussed allowing Dale Schmid to tap 4-5 maple trees in the south east corner of the east cemetery. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by McConnell to allow Dale Schmid to tap the maple trees. All yeas being heard the motion carries. Yeas-5, Nays-0.

OFFICER'S REPORTS: Marshall stated that the last day to pay taxes without penalties is February 14th, 2022. Gibbs stated that township residents can contact Denny's Antenna Service in Alma to see if they qualify for the free installation of a TV antenna due to the wind turbines. Several residents have had these installed with the cost being covered by DTE. Gibbs also discussed having the ballot drop box mounted to the cement at the township hall. After discussion the Clerk will check on having a drop box window placed on the building for ballots.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There has been no word from the State Police on parking restrictions at the boat launch.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Silker to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm. All Yeas being heard the meeting was adjourned.

Thomas G Gibbs, Clerk, approved minutes, February 9th, 2022.

