

# Warsaw Township

## Township Board Meeting Minutes

### December 11, 2023

#### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chair Maher called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Members Present:** Duwain Eglund, Larry Madsen, Emery Maher, Diane McCorkell and Darla Frandrup

**Others Present:** Bob Flom, Todd Greseth and Sarg. Jim Lawler

#### **APPROVE MEETING MINUTES**

Motion made by Duwain Eglund to approve the minutes as read; Larry Madsen seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Duwain Eglund to move the June 2024 meeting to June 3<sup>rd</sup> to allow for Darla to attend; Larry Madsen seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Duwain and Larry attended the Kenyon Annual Fire Department meeting. They shared the increase in our rates resulting from the cost of new gear, including coats and breathing equipment. They also are looking at a new water truck. The City of Kenyon is paying 51% of the costs and Townships paying 49%.

Update from the Sheriff's office. The Sheriff's office now has a new police dog but they won't be up and running until spring. This dog will be used to track people and locate drugs. The County has five new Deputies going through the training process. A lot of deer were hit by cars this year, more than in the past years.

Todd Greseth, Goodhue County Commissioner, stopped by to check in. He shared that taxes on agricultural land took a jump in some cases by 20-25%. Taxes on homes decreased a small amount. People were upset about the increases but the County has to follow the state guidelines to receive state funding. This all has to do with the increase in value of agricultural land. The County is considering a 4.2 levy increase. They are trying to get the trash transfer stations back open.

The Leon Township Road Maintenance contract was approved and emailed to the Leon Clerk.

The PNP (Presidential Nomination and Primary) will take place on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Darla has reached out to the Election judges notifying them about a one hour mandatory training they will need to complete.

The annual renewal of the Township's Sunlife Dental policy will take place in March of 2024. The rates and coverage has not changed.

Darla asked for thoughts on content for the Annual Letter that will be mailed to residents in February. She will bring a draft to share at the January meeting.

**ADJOURN**

Motion made by Larry Madsen to adjourn the meeting; Duwain Egland seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

Approved on January 8, 2024

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Emery Maher, Chairman

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Darla Frandrup, Clerk