

FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING APRIL 8, 2024 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, S. Nelson, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Members present: S. Nelson, D. Brown, R. Valentine, A. Wagner and J. Church
Members absent: NONE

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

5. AGENDA

Motion, J. Church, supported by R. Valentine, CARRIED to approve the agenda.

6. MINUTES

Motion, R. Valentine, supported by J. Church, CARRIED to approve the March 11, 2024 Regular Board meeting minutes.

Motion, J. Church, supported by R. Valentine, CARRIED to approve the March 19, 2024 Special Meeting minutes.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by S. Nelson, CARRIED to approve the March 11, 2024 Election Commission Meeting minutes.

7. CONSENT TO AGENDA

- a. Financial Report for
- b. Assessor Report
- c. Fire Report
- d. Water Systems report
- e. Water billing register
- f. Payment of bills

Motion, J. Church, supported by R. Valentine, CARRIED to approve the Consent to agenda items.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Roads

** Trustee Church requested: due to weather the Planning commission meeting was canceled and rescheduled for April 10th.**

9. FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

- a. Fire updates The Fire Chief gave updates.
Fire Chief Nelson reminds everyone Pancake breakfast is scheduled for April 28th at the Highland.

10. WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. Water operator updates. Troy Rodman gave updates.

11. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR BUSINESS

- b. Master plan update: should have draft this Friday

12. COUNTY COMMISSIONER BUSINESS

- a. District #3 report/update
ABSENT

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. 911 signs: Issues with the mapping system. No changes.
- b. Policy update: worked on #3 and #5. TABLED
- c. Litigation updates:
 - i. Ford River Township vs Batini: multiple zoning violations. Deposition
 - ii. Accusation of violating open meetings act. No update.
 - iii. Bateni vs Ford River Township discrimination complaint
- d. Appointments
Zoning Board of Appeals. term ending 12/31/2026

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by J. Church CARRIED to accept Supervisor Nelsons recommendation to appoint Andrew DeGrand to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

- e. Water heater. Only one estimate was received.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by R. Valentine, CARRIED, to accept the estimate from DeHooghe & Viau Plumbing and Heating in the amount of \$2,642,10 to install tankless gas water heater.

- f. Playground update. Supervisor gave updates. In the bidding process now.
- g. Security Camera update. The new camera system is in place for the hall. Fire dept and Pavilion will be installed soon.

14. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Conflict/Burkhart

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by R. Valentine, CARRIED to sign the acknowledgement and express waiver of conflict of Interest.

A roll call vote was taken

Ayes: J. Church, A. Wagner, R. Valentine, D. Brown, S. Nelson

Nays: NONE Absent: NONE

- b. UPSET
- c. Clerk election law/enforcement training

Motion, R. Valentine, supported by J. Church, CARRIED to allow the Clerk to attend training in Marquette for MDOS Elections and Law Enforcement Tabletop Exercise on April 15th.

- d. Delta County Road Commission dust control agreement.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by R. Valentine, CARRIED, to accept the 2024 dust agreement from the Delta County Road Commission at .48 cents per gallon.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT.

R. Nelson: Concerns on dead tree in cemetery

S. Vandenberg: Concerns about getting the word out on warming station.

16. BOARD COMMENT.

D. Brown: explained this is the first time we had been asked to keep our hall open from the Emergency system since we got the generator, It was on TV, website and facebook.

J. Church: Looking for input on the Website logo. Asks for website update to be put on agenda.

17. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion, A. Wagner, supported by R. Valentine, CARRIED to adjourn at 8:19 pm
Minutes approved by:

Debbi R. Brown, Township Clerk

Date