

**ASH TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 19, 2025
5:30 p.m.**

The Ash Township Regular Board meeting was called to order at 5:30p.m. in the Ready Road Hall by Supervisor Carmack.

Members present: Supervisor – Robin Carmack, Treasurer-Rob Schock, Trustee-Tina Richardson, Trustee-Adam Grabetz, Clerk-Michele Geiermann

0 - Absent

Others Present: Bill Godfroy, Greg Baker, 8 citizens

Motion #4134

Motion by Carmack supported by Grabetz to approve the amended agenda as presented. Adding Monroe County Sheriff Update, Culvert Calkins Road, Millage Next Election.
Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #4135

Motion by Carmack supported by Grabetz to approve the Proposed Regular Meeting Minutes of 1-15-25 & Proposed Special Meeting of 1-15-25. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Motion #4136

Motion by Grabetz supported by Geiermann to approve bills 1 through 108 in the amount of \$345,538.54 from the General Funds, Building Funds, Fire Equipment Funds, Fire Funds, Water Funds & Sewer Funds. Roll Call:5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Old Business

Monroe County Sheriff Update

Sheriff Goodnough reported to the board the Ash Township Statistics for 2022, 2023 & 2024. No motion was offered.

Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate

Motion #4137

Motion by Carmack supported by Grabetz to approve Lance Smith as the Alternate of the Zoning Board of Appeals effective 2-19-25. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Waste Water Treatment Plant Update – 9601 Oak Commons Drive – Mr. Godfroy

There was a discussion regarding the waste water treatment plant with Mr. Godfroy. His recommendation is to reject the request for Ash Township to take over the waste water treatment plant.

Motion #4138

Motion by Grabetz supported by Schock to give permission to Mr. Godfroy to send a letter to Cobblestone Real Estate, LLC that Ash Township is rejecting the request to take over the waste water treatment plant. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

New Business

Manager's Report

Greg Baker discussed his manager report with the board. No motions were offered.

Community Alert System – Nixle

Motion #4139

Motion by Carmack supported by Richardson the approve \$500 a year to set up the Nixle Community Alert System for Ash Township. Tina Richardson will be the main contact for this project. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Ash Township Facebook Page

Tina Richardson also discussed a Facebook page for Ash Township with just communication information with no comments. The board gave permission for Tina Richardson to be the main contact for this project.

Motion #4140

Motion by Richardson supported by Carmack to approve the Ash Township Facebook Communication Page and to have Tina Richardson be the main contact for adding and deleting information on this page. There will also be no comments allowed. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Annual Resolutions #1-23 Approval

Motion #4141

Motion by Grabetz supported by Schock to approve the annual resolutions #1-23 for the fiscal year 4-1-25 to 3-31-26. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

25/26 Budget Approval

Motion #4142

Motion by Carmack supported by Geiermann to approve the 2025/2026 budget effective 4-1-25 through 3-31-26. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Monroe County Road Commission Contract Dust Control

Motion #4143

Motion by Carmack supported by Schock to approve the Monroe County Road Commission Contract for Dust Control in the amount of \$79,770. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Monroe County Road Commission Contract Mowing

Motion #4144

Motion by Carmack supported by Geiermann to approve the Monroe County Road Commission Contract for Mowing in the amount of \$18,035. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Board of Review Pay Increase

Motion #4145

Motion by Carmack supported by Geiermann to approve the pay increase for Board of Review Members to \$15.00 per hour effective 3-31-25. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Planning & Zoning Pay Increase

Motion #4146

Motion by Richardson supported by Schock to approve the pay increase for Planning & Zoning Members, \$45 Chairman per meeting, \$40 Regular Member per meeting - effective 3-31-25. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Ash Township Employee Pay Increase

Motion #4147

Motion by Carmack supported by Richardson to approve the 3% pay increase for Ash Township Employees effective 3-31-25. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Lead Service Line, Mill & Monroe Street

There was a discussion of changing out the lead service line at Mill & Monroe Street due to a business possibly coming into this area. The townships stand is that it shouldn't matter when the lead line is replaced, the business can still use and have water. The township has 20 years to replace the lead pipes at 5% per year. Supervisor Carmack indicated that the resident services would be replaced first over community property. No motion was offered.

Lift Station Alert – DuBois-Cooper

Motion #4148

Motion by Schock supported by Carmack to approve DuBois-Cooper to replace the cell service at the lift stations. Assembly & installation. The service will cost \$6,660 Annually. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Budget Amendments

Motion #4149

Motion by Carmack supported by Richardson to approve the following budget amendments:

Move \$320,000 from 202-000-695 to 202-335-977.

Move \$15,000 from 205-000-695 to 205-336-930

Move \$1,000 from 205-000-695 to 205-862-720

Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Ash Senior Citizen Letter Approval

Motion #4150

Motion by Carmack supported by Grabetz to approve the \$5,000 donation to the Ash Senior Citizens effective 4-1-25. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Calkins Road Culvert Additional Cost

Motion #4151

Motion by Carmack supported by Schock to approve the additional cost for the Calkins Road Culvert. The new total is \$34,500. Roll Call: 5-Yes 0-No. Motion carried.

Millage for Next Election

The township board discussed a millage increase for the township. As of right now there is no election scheduled and the residents would have to vote on this increase. The board will discuss at a future meeting after investigating with the assessor. No motion was offered.

Communication/InformationCitizen Comments

A resident had a question regarding the budget

A resident had a question regarding the lead lines in the Village of Carleton

A resident had a question regarding the 2024 meeting minutes on the website

Meeting Adjournment

Motion #4152

Motion by Grabetz supported by Carmack to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michele Geiermann Ash Township Clerk