

1. Call to Order – Kielman, Dudek, Christy, Biringer, Duncan absent. 7:30pm

2. Comments from the Community –

Michael Haught – 9353 Gratiot demanded videos be put on you tube and papers he brought to the last board meetings be put on website.

Unknown female who would not give name or address said something about her on Facebook about her complaints at the July meeting. She made several comments about the township board and especially the supervisor.

Several members of the audience got very belligerent and were shouting complaints about the ordinances, violations, zoning and drain commission issues. They were shouting over each other and were very combative and disruptive. Someone on zoom commented that they should watch their language and sit down.

During the meeting Rob Cowan started to complain about the winery issues and the violations that he received. He disrupted the regular business being discussed by the board members

3. Communications – Township Attorney Downey resigned due to family issues.

Steve Kustra presented his vita and spoke about his legal experience with townships. Motion

Christy Support Kielman to hire Steven Kustra as township attorney. Dudek-yes, Christy-yes,

Kielman-yes, Biringer-yes. Motion Carried.

4. Approval of Agenda -Motion Kielman support Biringer to approve the agenda as presented. All

Ayes. Motion Carried.

5. Routine business

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Approved

- A. Approval of minutes – Motion Biringer support Kielman to approve minutes with one correction change \$2800 to \$28,000. Christy-yes, Dudek-yes, Biringer-abstain, Kielman-yes. Motion Carried.
 - B. Treasurer Report – Motion Biringer Support Dudek to file treasurer’s report. Dudek-yes, Biringer-yes, Christy-yes, Kielman-yes. Motion Carried.
 - C. Check Register Pool – Motion Kielman Support Biringer to approve checks 4724-4789 & electronic checks 113-116 totaling \$115,343.28. Kielman-yes, Christy-yes, Biringer-yes, Dudek-yes. Motion Carried. Motion Kielman Support Dudek to approve payment for clerk meeting. Christy-yes, Biringer-yes, Kielman-yes, Dudek-yes. Motion Carried.
 - D. Ordinance Report – None
 - E. Assessor’s Report – None
6. Old Business
- A. Columbariums – Clerk will talk to sexton regarding map out the new section of the cemetery and placement for columbarium. Clerk will bring more information to September meeting.
 - B. Migration to .gov emails – Motion Kielman Support Dudek to have incoming board make email decision. Dudek-yes, Kielman-yes, Christy-yes, Biringer-yes. Motion Carried.
7. New Business
- A. 2023/2024 Audit Review – Motion Biringer Support Kielman to accept audit and pay invoice to King & King. Christy-yes, Biringer-yes, Kielman-yes, Dudek-yes. Motion Carried.
 - B. Auditor Proposals Motion Kielman Support Dudek to hire Shea & Associates for 3 years/ Dudek-yes, Kielman-yes, Biringer-no, Christy-yes. Motion Carried.

- C. Resolution for Pollinator Project – 8-1-24 – Motion Kielman Support Dudek to disapprove resolution 8-1-24. Biringer -yes, Christy-yes, Dudek-yes, Kielman-yes. Motion Carried.
- D. Local Road Funding for 2025 – Motion Kielman Support Biringer to approve Resolution 8-2-24 Local Road Funding Assistance for 2025. Christy-yes, Biringer-yes, Kielman-yes, Dudek-yes. Motion Carried.
- 8. Board Discussion – none
- 9. Adjournment – Motion Biringer support Dudek to adjourn at 8:48pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.