

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF MARION
MARCH 10, 2025**

1. **Call to Order:** Steve Peer, Chairman, called the regular Board meeting for the month of March to order at 6:36 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Present at the meeting were: Steve Peer, Chairman; Bob Frey, Supervisor (absent at time of roll call and arrived at 6:46 p.m.); Jerrod Waterman, Supervisor; Judi Boughton, Clerk and Laurie King, Treasurer.

Citizens who were in attendance of the meeting were: Tom Haile, Lonny and Lorraine Fischer, Tiffany Waterman.

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Jerrod made a motion to keep the agenda items in the order posted. Steve seconded the motion.
4. **Proof of Publication of Meeting Notice:** The notice of meeting was published Thursday, March 6, 2025 in the Boscobel Dial. The notice of meeting and agenda were posted at the town shop and on the town website March 6, 2025.
5. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the February 10, 2025, board meeting were distributed to all who were present and, after everyone had a chance to review the minutes, a motion was made by Jerrod to approve them. The motion was seconded by Steve.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report was prepared by Laurie King and read by Laurie as follows:

Checking	\$	8,852.37
Equipment fund savings		10,403.55
Red school house restoration		4,398.13
People's Money Market		148,105.00
Local Gov't Investment Pool		<u>25.75</u>
Total:	\$	171,784.80

The township received \$1200 from Zach Novinski for stainless steel dump box and this will be deposited in the equipment fund.

7. **Citizen Input:** None.
8. **Old Business:**
 - **Update on Garage Door and Light on Shop:** The new door is in and looks nice but no bill received yet. (Judi called for bill after meeting and it was \$5,338.92.)

- **Update on Fuel Tank Placement/Price:** Bob not here and was going to check on this. Steve and Jerrod were at an auction and watched a 500-gallon tank on wheels with lights bring \$4,800; bigger one, which was probably top of the line brought about \$6,500.00 (Bob has not checked on this yet).
- **Peoples State Bank Update on Loan Payoff:** So far no one has heard anything back from the bank on why the loan payoff figures do not match the loan payment schedule. Steve has been working with John Zenz, and John said the paperwork was turned in to Courtney from Lancaster. Laurie will call Courtney, John Zenz's secretary. Steve has tried 3 times now and has not heard back from them.
(Bob arrived at the meeting at this point and so the board discussed fuel tank and Bob said he has not checked on this yet.)

9. New Business:

- **Look at Options for Gaining Interest on Savings:** Laurie said the Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP) had a 4.4% gain in February. This is where municipalities pool money into a market. It is an investment and not a bank and is not federally insured but insured through them. She said it is very liquid and can get funds within a day. Would need a resolution saying this is okay to go with. Steve said we should talk to the bank and see if they have any good options. Thinks we should do a CD for the red school. Steve recommended waiting for new board to make decisions on this. Laurie will check with bank on options they have available.
 - Steve offered to buy scrap cab and wing on Ford truck that has been sitting a couple of years where property and pump is on Tower Road. Steve offered \$130/ton for the scrap on Tower Road. Bob made a motion to sell scrap iron to Steve and Jerrod seconded the motion and the funds will go into the Red School House fund.
 - Bob brought up the fact that Henry Stoltzfus is putting stuff right on the edge of the road. He said he needs to get it off the road a little bit. There are slabs of wood, tin, logs right on the edge of the road.
 - Shop light will go up Thursday. Jerrod will make a sign out of wood to put above the shed door that says Town of Marion. The new door is working out nice.
- 10. Future Agenda Items:** Update on wheel bearing on Dodge truck. Spring cleanup (two, 40-yard dumpsters; Judi will check to verify dumpster has been reserved for May 3. Vote on fire board member to replace Steve's spot.
- 11. Patrolman's Report:** Bob is going to clean tube by A-frame on Tower Road. Tom has been cutting brush, plowing snow and ice. Jerrod said if we keep all the TVs back this year at cleanup, he will take them.
- 12. Correspondence:** Letter from Grant County for notice of trees being cut on Black Oak Century Farm.
- 13. Approval of Invoices:** A motion was made by Jerrod to approve the invoices. Bob seconded the motion. Motion by Jerrod to pay Carey's bill, Bob's bill, poll workers from April 1 election and poll worker lunches. Steve seconded the motion.

Additional checks written out after the March 2025 board meeting and before the April 2025 board meeting are:

- 3/12/2025, #15384, Carey's Seamless Gutters & Overhead Doors, \$5,338.92.
- 3/12/2025, #15385, Jerrod Waterman, \$54.99.
- 3/12/2025, #15386, Robert Frey, \$267.81.
- 3/12/2025, #15389, Craig Martins, \$3,500.00.
- 4/1/2025, #15387, Boscobel Sr. Dining, \$16.00.
- 4/5/2025, #15388, Karen Gander, \$165.00.
- 4/5/2025, #15390, Marlene Wetter, \$123.75.
- 4/5/2025, #15391, Peggy Updike, \$123.75.
- 4/5/2025, #15392, USPS, \$146.00.

14. Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jerrod. Bob seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. The April board meeting will be held immediately following the annual meeting on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Boughton, Clerk