

# Board Meeting Minutes

## August 11 , 2025

Meeting called to order by Toren Stanton at 7:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Toren Stanton

Board Members in attendance: Supervisor Stanton, Clerk Smith, Trustee Courliss & Trustee Brott

Board Members absent: Treasurer Brubaker

Reading of the minutes and a motion to approve the July minutes, first by Clerk Smith second Supervisor Stanton. All in favor 4-0. Accepted and passed.

Enter closed session at 7:33 pm "Closed Session to consult with legal counsel to consider attorney client material exempt from disclosure pursuant to MCL 15.268 (1)(h) and MCL 15.243 (1)(g).

Roll call vote:

Clerk Smith: yes

Supervisor Stanton: yes

Trustee Brott: yes

Trustee Courliss: yes

Close the session 7:54 pm

### Old Business:

- Old Complaints: Vaughn, our code enforcer through SAFEbuilt continues to work through them and cleaning them up. Nothing that is sticking out this month and will keep pushing ahead with outstanding ones.
- Make-A-Wish, Wish-A-Mile raised 1.6 million dollars. There was a lot of bikers, was a huge success.
- Fire Billing Ordinance continues to move forward.

### New Business:

- No new complaints in July
- Civil vs Criminal Penalties: Ken Bell, Secretary for the PC Board relayed that he was thankful for the Township Board's participation and sending the ordinance revision back to the PC Board for review and revisions. It was moved by Trustee Courliss to accept the new Civil vs Criminal Penalties Ordinance with the proposed revisions put forth by the PC Board. Second, Supervisor Stanton. All in favor. Motion passed.
- CBPU Hazardous Waste Participation for Townships is underway. Sherwood did not participate in 2024 and Clerk Smith is proposing that we participate in 2025. It is a way to allow those who are trying to clean up their lots and those who would like to declutter somewhere other than their yard to take their items. The cost is \$40/household from Sherwood Township that participates. We will only pay for those who bring items. Board members echo the same

feelings. Clerk Smith moves to participate in the CBPU Hazardous Waste Collection, second Supervisor Stanton. All in favor. Motion passes.

Fire Department: Grain Bin rescue equipment for Branch and Calhoun Counties. Stabilizing Jacks were purchased through the Union City Rotary Grant. Can handle 2 different sized vehicles, they can help stabilize cars to get people out safely.

Treasurer Report: none, absent.

Clerk Report: All bills have been paid for July. July Burials included Sherri Cook, Jeffery Fitch and Shirley Frederick. Our special election that took place on August 5th was a bond proposal for Union City and Colon Schools. 224 absentee ballots were sent out, 137 received back. 93 voters turned out on the day.

Supervisor report: Our driveway company once again did not show up like stated. We will look into other companies. Very frustrating. Road Maintenance is going well. Cherokee Estates; the grader came down and was able to get a fresh start on that road and asphalt millings were placed. Should last for a long time with little maintenance. Pea stoned Oliverda and Tuttle. Milligan Rd maintenance was underway as well.

Public Comment: Culvert needs to be looked at. A resident of Cherokee Estates came to say thank you for her road being done, but is now a little disappointed to hear that they are finished as there are soft spots. Toren said he will go down and take a look.

Ken Bell stated that the PC Board is working on the Short Term Rental Ordinance.

A resident of Arney Rd would like to know how to go about putting in a complaint on properties on Arney Rd that were hit by the tornado and pretty much abandoned. Still a lot of cleaning up to do.

Supervisor Stanton made a motion to approve the bills for July. Second, Trustee Brott. All in favor 4-0. Motion passes.

Supervisor Stanton adjourned the meeting at 8:18pm , Clerk Smith second. All in favor 4-0. Motion Carries. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hannah Smith

Sherwood Township Clerk