

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2025**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Lloyd, Bill Fenton, Tammy Beal, Les Andersen, Dan Lowe, Jim Witkowski, and Sandy Donovan

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER

Bill Fenton called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The meeting is also available to attend online.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The board members introduced themselves.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Tammy Beal motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Les Andersen motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

HEALTH INSURANCE PA #152 OPT-OUT RESOLUTION

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the opting out of the 2011 Public Act #152, as presented. Bill Fenton seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Fenton, Witkowski, Andersen, Donovan—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

2025 POVERTY EXEMPTION GUIDELINES

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution approving the Poverty Exemption Policy and Guidelines for 2024 Income and Asset Tests for 2025 poverty exemptions, as presented. Bill Fenton seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Witkowski, Fenton, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

BOARD OF REVIEW LETTER APPEALS

Scott Lloyd motioned to adopt a resolution to allow residents to file letter appeals to the 2025 Board of Review, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Witkowski, Lowe, Fenton, Lloyd—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

RESOLUTION FOR CONDUCTING SCHOOL ELECTIONS

Tammy Beal said the resolution needs to be approved every four years; the township is reimbursed for the expense. Sandy Donovan motioned to adopt a resolution to conduct school elections for 2025-2029. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Fenton, Lowe, Witkowski, Beal, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

OVER/UNDER TAX PAYMENT RESOLUTION

Tammy Beal motioned to adopt a resolution to eliminate refunds of over/under tax payments on payments over/under \$10, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Fenton, Lloyd, Witkowski—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Tammy Beal motioned to adopt a resolution to amend the 2024-25 General Fund budget as presented. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Witkowski, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen, Beal, Fenton—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

DARAKJIAN PROPERTY APPRAISAL QUOTES

Jim Witkowski said he felt it was premature to have an appraisal done; he suggested working with Panhandle on narrowing the easements. Les Andersen said he would like to know the market value of the property as it is.

Tammy Beal motioned to have Jim Witkowski and Bill Fenton work with Panhandle on narrowing the easements on the property. Sandy Donovan seconded. **Motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

Les Andersen updated the board members on the recent Livingston County Road Commission meeting. He also said a representative from RWE in Chicago came to his property to discuss easement procurements.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Jim Anderson, Planning Commission Vice Chairman, said the renewable energy ordinance has been submitted to Livingston County Planning for review and comment. It will come back to the Planning Commission who will make recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

Les Andersen said that it was his understanding that losco Township was having an “invitation only public hearing” with DTE on January 14.

ADJOURNMENT

Tammy Beal motioned to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Sandy Donovan seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

William Fenton, Township Supervisor Date