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Milton Township
Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2025

Member present: C. Weinzapfel, J. Beebe, L. Atkinson, J. Renis, B. Veliquette

Also present: B. Hefferan, K. Hoch, J. Petersen, and 2 audience members.

Weinzapfel called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and the Pledge was recited.

Motion to approve the agenda by Veliquette/Renis. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Atkinson/Weinzapfel.

Roll call:

Renis: Yes

Atkinson: Yes

Beebe: Yes

Veliquette: Yes

Weinzapfel: Yes

Motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: none.

Sheriff's Report: As presented by Sheriff K. Hoch. 105 calls for service for November. Hoch discussed the number of traffic stops and the increase in drug activity. Update on the Public Safety Center. New vehicles are in process of being equipped. Working on getting more 911 Dispatchers trained. New recruits going to the Police Academy in January. Veliquette asked about March budgeting and needs from the department, specifically FLOCK Cameras. Hoch discussed why and how these are used. Hoch will create a proposal and send to the board.

Fire Department: Weinzapfel highlighted some items in packet. 11 calls for service for November. The department response time has been 11 minutes. Waiting on new truck chassis. Grants applications have been submitted to get new equipment.

EMS Report – Provided in packet. 9 runs in November.

Zoning Report – STR applications have been received and are in process in accordance with the new ordinance.

Planning Commission: As presented by B. Hefferan. A rezone public hearing was held in December at the Wells property on Miller Road. The PC has recommended 3-2 to rezone from AG to AR. The next Planning Commission meeting is January 7, 2026.

County Commissioner: As presented by B. Hefferan. Organizational meetings for the new Public Safety Center have been in the works. Rates were raised for ACT (Antrim County Transportation), trying to make it self-sufficient. Health Department is working on a small modification to the district sanitary code.

Library Report: Provided in the packet.

Unfinished Business

Insurance: Will revisit January, 2026

Enforcement Officer: Policies, payments, and responsibilities. Waiting to hear back from attorney and zoning for guidance.

Fire Station Financing – discussions are happening, waiting for information to move forward.

Catherine Kaufman / Bauckham, Thall, Seeber, Kaufman & Koches, PC

Motion to approve contract and hire as our municipal attorney by Beebe/Renis. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Resolution #2025-22 to designate communication contacts for attorney communication to Supervisor, Clerk, and Zoning Administrator. **Motion** to approve by Veliquette/Atkinson.

Roll call:

Veliquette: Yes

Atkinson: Yes

Renis: Yes

Beebe: Yes

Weinapfel: Yes

Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

Resolution #2025-20 Elk Rapids School Tax Collection Agreement

Motion to approve Resolution #2025-20 by Atkinson/Veliquette

Roll call:

Beebe: Yes

Renis: Yes

Atkinson: Yes

Veliquette: Yes

Weinzapfel: Yes

Motion carried 5-0.

Resolution #2025-21 Northwest Education Services Tax Collection Agreement

Motion to approve Resolution #2025-21, as amended, by Beebe/Renis

Roll call:

Veliquette: Yes

Renis: Yes

Atkinson: Yes

Beebe: Yes

Weinzapfel: Yes

Motion carried 5-0.

-- -- Budget Hearing/ Annual Meeting date: Budget Hearing is set for Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 9 am and Annual Meeting to follow. Budget workshop to be announced.

Discussion of Old Town Hall winter rentals. Due to safety, we will not allow rentals from January-April, depending on weather. Weinzapfel will follow up on the roof and gutters.

Public Comment – Geri Markley’s letter was in the board’s packet.

Board Comment: none

Future meetings:

Next board meeting is Monday, January 19, 2026 at 9:00 am.

Budget Hearing/ Annual Meeting is March 11, 2026 at 9:00 am.

Adjournment by order of the chair at 9:37 am.

These minutes are subject to approval at the January 19, 2026 meeting. A copy of these minutes is available at MiltonTownshipMI.gov.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Beebe, Clerk