

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
of the
MAY 21, 2025
REGULAR MEETING**

The Chippewa Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly Regular Meeting on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. Present were Chairman Dan Woodske, Supervisor Bryan Wright, Manager Mark Taylor, Recreation Director/Assistant Manager Lauren Doyle, Solicitor Shannon Steele, Code Enforcement Officer Dawna Pella, and Administrative Assistant Cindy Clark.

Supervisor Jim Bouril did not attend.

Chairman Woodske called the meeting to order.

VISITORS

Chief Hermick, Curtis Walsh of WBVP, Officer Dakota Fennell and police dog Ogi attended.

ITEMS TO BE ACTED ON

1. Hearing pertaining to Summary Offenses Violations – Ordinance 267

Chairman Woodske held the hearing at this time. Manager Taylor and Solicitor Steele explained that they had met regarding this due to a request from the magistrate. It was noted that Ordinance 267 is a blanket ordinance that will cover zoning and code enforcement.

There were no comments from the visitors.

MR. WRIGHT MOVED TO PASS ORDINANCE #267. Mr. Woodske seconded the motion and with no further discussion the motion carried.

MINUTES

Chairman Woodske had the following minutes for review:

1. April 9, 2025 Supervisors' Agenda Meeting
2. April 16, 2025 Supervisors' Regular Meeting

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes.

MR. WRIGHT MOVED TO ACCEPT AS PRESENTED THE MINUTES OF APRIL 9 AND APRIL 16. Mr. Woodske seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, the motion carried.

The Supervisors acknowledged the minutes of the following meeting:

1. April 8, 2025 Planning Commission Meeting

REPORTS

Chairman Woodske had the following reports for review:

1. Financial Report
2. Police Department Report
3. Road Report
4. Wage Tax/OPT Report
5. Real Estate Tax Report
6. Zoning Report
7. Code Enforcement Officer's Report
8. Fire Report
9. Recreation Update

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Taylor had the following items listed on the agenda for discussion:

1. Resolution #2025-8, Declaration of Intent to Apply (GTRP) Grant:

Manager Taylor said that this resolution pertains to a grant for an educational center at Sahli Nature Park. He said that the Supervisors discussed this and voted to pass it last week.

2. Proposal from General Code to codify our current & future ordinances:

Manager Taylor said that in past, Chippewa Township's codification was done in-house. He checked with other communities and discovered that most use General Code for their codification purposes. The Township is presently in need of codification in our books and he would also like to see the codified ordinances be placed on-line. He said that he requested a proposal from General Code and the proposal was forwarded to the Supervisors prior to the meeting. He feels that General Code is a very reputable company.

MR. WRIGHT MOVED TO PROCEED WITH GENERAL CODE FOR CODIFICATION.

Mr. Woodske seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion carried.

3. Chippewa Trails Amendment # 26 Subdivision:

Manager Taylor said that last week the Township Planning Commission recommended approval on Chippewa Trails Amendment #26. They were awaiting final review from the engineer. He has now received word that the engineer had no comments regarding this amendment. He added that they met or exceeded what they needed to do.

MR. WRIGHT MOVED TO APPROVE CHIPPEWA TRAILS AMENDMENT #26.

Mr. Woodske seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion carried.

4. Request from the Fire Department to purchase a 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe to be utilized as a QRS vehicle:

Manager Taylor said that this vehicle will be a very valuable tool for our community. The vehicle will cost \$53,000 with an additional \$26,000 to fit it for service.

MR. WRIGHT MOVED TO PROCEED WITH THE PURCHASE OF THE 2024 TAHOE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. Mr. Woodske seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, the motion carried.

5. K-9 Dog (OGI):

Chief Hermick introduced Officer Dakota Fennell and the K-9 dog, Ogi. Officer Fennell said that Ogi is a German Shepherd from the Netherlands who will be 2 years old in October. The commands used for the dog are in Dutch. Officer Fennell said he enjoys working with the dog, they have been doing some of the training in the park, the dog does well with kids, and he feels it is a blessing to have him in the department. This is paid for by a private foundation with no cost to the Township. Mr. Wright thanked Officer Fennell for bringing Ogi to the meeting.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Chairman Woodske had the April bills for review.

MR. WRIGHT MOVED TO APPROVE payment of the April bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Woodske, and with no further discussion the motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S BUSINESS

None.

SUPERVISORS' BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT/MEETING DATES

With nothing further to come before the Board, Chairman Woodske adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

The scheduled meeting dates for June are: Agenda Meeting: Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 10 a.m.; Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Secretary

Chairman