

Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes - Draft April 8, 2024 4:00 p.m.

Call to Order	4:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance	Pledge was recited.
Roll Call	Present: Supervisor Stephen Lang, Clerk Cynthia Paavola,
	Treasurer Jennifer Wieczorkowski, Trustee Mark Devers,
	and Trustee Mary O'Neill. Absent: None.
Approval of Agenda	Devers made a motion, supported by Paavola, to approve
	the consent agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Devers
	made a second motion, supported by Wieczorkowski, to
	approve the regular agenda as written. All ayes. Motion
	carried.
Consent Agenda Approval	
a. Approval 3-11-2024 Minutes	In Packet
b. Treasurers Report – Wieczorkowski	In Packet
c. Clerks Report – Paavola	In Packet
d. PC Report - Paavola	In Packet
e. P&R Report – Wieczorkowski	In Packet
f. ZBA Report – O'Neill	No Meeting No Report
g. Zoning Report – Lang	In Packet
h. Supervisor Report – Lang	See Trustee Comments
i. Assessors Report – Spencer	In Packet
j. Museum Society Report – Milstein	No Report
k. Library Report – Kimball	In Packet
I. Facilities Report – Bedard	In Packet
m. Fire Dept. Report – Forbush	No Report In Packet
n. EGLFD Report – Koel o. Correspondence	
o. Correspondence	One (1)
Audience Comments – 3-minute limit	No comments from the audience.
Trustee Comments/FYI's Short	Supervisor Lang had four (4) items:
	1. Lang and Paavola met with the Presque Isle County
	Drain Commissioner to discuss the Holciem
	property on Lake Esau. The building plans that were
	submitted do not comply with the Presque Isle
	Township Zoning Ordinance.
	2. Lang has been talking with MSU and NEMCOG
	about doing educational town hall meetings. A
	notice was posted on the website asking for topic
	ideas.



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		3. Mary Anne McCoy of the Presque Isle Township
		Master Plan Subcommittee has received water
		testing training and is now seeking volunteers to
		assist her. She and the volunteers will be sampling
		the waters of Grand Lake, Lake Esau and Long Lake
		to see if there could be septic issues on those lakes.
		A notice has been posted on the website.
		4. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing
		at its May 6 th meeting regarding the construction of
		a cell tower on U.S. 23.
Items	pulled from Consent Agenda	No items were pulled.
	shed Business	
a.	Business Signage	Business Signage: The project had been put to rest because
b.	Brown Island Resolution	of the initial cost estimate of \$19,600. Thanks to residents,
		volunteers and donations, the estimate is now around
		\$6,000.
		Brown Island Resolution: The Board is still awaiting word
		from the DNR. The item will remain in Unfinished Business
		until it is resolved.
New B	Business	
a.	Fire Department Bank Card	Fire Department Bank Card: The Fire Department's bank
b.	Gift Shop Startup Money	card (which had been approved in March) had to be put
c.		into Stephen Lang's name due to the fire chief being out of
d.	1870 & 1840 Rental Black out days	town. The card is solely being used by the fire department
e.	Movie Contract	to purchase fuel and has a \$1,000 limit.
f.	Resolution for Safety Grant for Range	Gift Shop Startup Money: A motion was made by Paavola,
	Light and Portage Store	supported by O'Neill to approve the initial startup cost of
		\$40,000 for the lighthouse gift shops. Roll call vote. All
		ayes. Motion carried.
		Kauffman Blvd. Fog Seal: A resident of Kauffman Blvd
		submitted two contracts from the Presque Isle County Road
		Commission for the purpose of fog sealing Kauffman Blvd.
		The estimate for sealing 1.6 miles was \$56,000. The
		estimate for sealing .3 miles was \$10,500. Devers pointed
		out that residents may not represent Presque Isle Township
		with a Presque Isle County entity. Paavola made a motion,
		supported by Wieczorkowski, to approve the fog sealing.
		Roll call vote. All opposed. Motion not carried.



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	1870 & 1840 Rental Blackout Days: A motion was made by
	Wieczorkowski, supported by Paavola, to create blackout
	dates for rentals of the 1870 and 1840 lighthouse parks:
	Memorial Day weekend, Labor Day weekend, and the
	Friday prior to July 4 th through the Sunday following July
	4 th . All ayes. Motion carried.
	Movie Contract: A motion was made by Paavola,
	supported by Wieczorkowski, to approve the movie
	contract subject to finding volunteers to cover the 24-hour
	filming schedule. All ayes. Motion carried.
	Resolution for Safety Grant for Range Light and Portage
	Store: The Presque Isle County Road Commission has
	applied for a safety grant for a crosswalk which would
	extend across E. Grand Lake Rd. from the harbor to the
	Portage store. The grant would also upgrade the Range
	Light's current crosswalk with a crosswalk button. A
	resolution of support will be on the agenda for the April
	17 th town hall budget meeting at 6pm.
Audience Comments – 3-minute limit	The Board heard from two (2) audience members.
Adjournment	4:31pm

Next Meetings: April 17, 2024 6:00 pm. 1st Town Hall Budget Meeting

May 13, 2024 4:00 pm. Regular BOT Meeting

May 15, 2024 9:00 am. 2nd Town Hall Budget Meeting