

Heath Township  
Meeting Minutes  
December 2024

**1. Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the Heath Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Ron Jones at 7:00 pm on December 9, 2024 at the Township Hall. Misti opened with prayer.

**2. Roll Call**

Supervisor Ron Jones, Clerk Missy Harvey, Treasurer Misti Lindholm, Trustee Hilda Boerman, Trustee Bill Harvey.

**3. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Previous months meeting minutes were approved.

**4. Reports**

- A. Lindholm reported Winter 2024 tax bills were mailed and Republic calendars were included in the mailing.
- B. M.Harvey gave an update that the website is still being built with the development team.

**5. New Business.**

- A. Resident questioned about the Hamilton Dam project and what information we had gotten for that. The Board stated we had not gotten anything back yet from Wightman Co.
- B. Resident questioned if there was any new information on PFAS in the area water and the Board stated that nothing new has developed.
- C. Motion from M.Harvey with support from Lindholm to adopt the new Ordinance presented for Section 25.1 Solar Energy for the Heath Township Zoning Ordinance. Roll Call vote taken: Jones – Yes, M.Harvey – Yes, Lindholm – Yes, Boerman – Yes, B.Harvey – Yes. Motion carried and Ordinance passed. M.Harvey will post adoption in the papers. It will go into effect 8 days after publication.
- D. B.Harvey presented new equipment quotes for a new Tractor with loader and enclosed cab and including a snow blower to be used by our snow removal team to use for the township sidewalks snow removal. Discussion with the Board and public on how and why this process started and if there were other ways to remove the snow from the sidewalks. Motion from Boerman with support from B.Harvey to allow \$35,000 to be used from the budget to purchase this item. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.
- E. Jones updated on where the Townships were on the Inter-Local Agreement. The Township Attorney had been given all the documents from all the Townships at a meeting held at the Manlius Township Hall; although M.Harvey was not aware of this meeting which indicates not all Fire Board members were present. Jones states this meeting was a Planning Commission meeting for Manlius Township. M.Harvey questioned why she wasn't at the meeting at the Fillmore Township Hall in August since she is a Fire Board member. Jones claimed there was a phone call, which M.Harvey never received. M.Harvey questioned Jones on a document that Manlius had supplied to the Attorney that Jones had written up and signed. Heath Township did not have a copy of this document in our records, however, the letter was written on letterhead with Sally Genzink's name on it, a past Heath Township Clerk. The document is not dated, but Manlius states they received the letter in 1995, during which Sally Genzink was no longer the Clerk, calling into question the authenticity of the

- document. The Attorney states this is a deciding factor document. The public questioned what the other Townships gained from changing the inter-local to having ownership of the building. Jones stated that as the current inter-local agreement states, if any of the other members wanted to leave the inter-local agreement, we would have to get a value on the Fire Department as a whole to buy out said member leaving, according to the remaining members current SEV's value. The member leaving would still get their value owed to them. The public also questioned if the meeting that was requested to happen in the minutes between the Member Townships of the inter-local had happened yet and the Board said no. M.Harvey also stated that she would like to see the Fire Board follow the rules of the inter-local better. Motion from Boerman with support from B.Harvey to seek outside counsel for the Fire Board and not to use the same Attorney as the Township so there is no confusion between Attorney and Boards. Vote taken, all in favor, motion passed. Ron will contact the Township Attorney and let her know that she will no longer be working on our Fire Board information. The Board will come to the next meeting with an update on some options for the Fire Board Attorney.
- F. The public requested that the Facebook page that M.Harvey started be updated with the agenda, website updates, and other meeting information as needed. M.Harvey said she would take that task on.

**6. Zoning Update**

- A. Planning Commission –None
- B. ZBA – None – Annual meeting in January

**7. Bills**

Motion by Boerman with support from Lindholm to pay Township bills. Vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

**8. Adjournment**

Motion from Boerman with support from M.Harvey and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Missy Harvey