

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Wells Township

Minutes of

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

February 18, 2025

Held

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The Board of Trustees of Wells Township met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 6:30 PM.

Officials present were:

Rodney Roe, Trustee Chairman  
Jeffrey J Kamerer, Trustee  
Bernardus Batenburg, Trustee  
Leslie Harvey, Fiscal Officer  
Bruce Clark, Solicitor

Others in attendance:

Sean Norman, Butch Keyoski, Lew Eiler, Bub Lazear, Chrissy Crawford, Ricky Crawford, Georgia Jarman

Trustee Roe requested to abstain from the reading of the February 04, 2025 minutes. If anyone would like, a copy will be made for them.

25-02-12 Trustee Kamerer motioned to abstain from reading the previous meeting minutes from February 04, 2025. Trustee Batenburg seconded and it passed 3:0.

25-02-13 Trustee Kamerer motioned to approve bills totaling \$246,718.44. Trustee Batenburg seconded the motion and it passed 3:0.

Trustee Roe reported that in June 2024 a motion was made and unanimous vote approving the bid from Countryview Construction Company to build the new police garage for a price of \$247,261.00. \$150,000 was paid in 2024 in three draw payments, August, October, and December. A final invoice has been received for \$98,916.00 for this project. AEP is scheduled to install and turn on power Tuesday, February 18, 2025; after which Countryview will have approximately one day's work remaining. There is an overage of \$1,655.00 for the total project representing an upgrade of an electric hot water boiler. Total project cost is \$248,916.00. Need motion to approve the \$1,655.00 overage for the upgrade and to issue a purchase order and pay the \$98,916.00 invoice to Countryview Construction. OTARMA has been contacted to add building to the insurance policy.

25-02-14 Trustee Batenburg motioned to approve the overage of \$1,655.00 and to pay the final invoice of \$98,916.00. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion and it passed 3:0.

Trustee Roe reports that the JB Green Team will again be offering a 2025 Spring Clean Up. Wells Township is scheduled for Thursday, April 3, 2025 from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Tires and bulk waste will be accepted on this date. The Trustees will need to motion acceptance of the agreement with JB Green Team, sign the agreement, and return it no later than March 10, 2025.

25-02-15 Trustee Kamerer motioned to accept the agreement from JB Green Team for the scheduled April 3, 2025 Spring Clean Up in Wells Township from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Trustee Batenburg seconded the motion and it passed 3:0.

Trustee Roe noted there are Then and Now Purchase Orders 22-2025 – Riley Petroleum, 26-2025 – The Ridgefield Group, 28-2025 – Sunset Motors that need approved.

25-02-16 Trustee Batenburg motioned to approve the above listed Then and Now purchase orders for payments. Trustee Kamerer seconded and it passed 3:0.

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Trustee Roe stated at the last meeting, a motion to approve payment of property taxes was given, paid to Raymond A Agresta in the amount of 1,943.56. Actual amount is \$1,961.38 for a difference of \$17.82. Need motion to amend motion made February 4, 2025 to include the \$17.82, making a total payment for 2024 Property Taxes of \$1,961.38.

25-02-17 Trustee Kamerer motioned to amend the motion made February 4, 2025 to include the \$17.82 difference for a total property tax payment of \$1,961.38. Trustee Batenburg seconded the motion and it passed 3:0.

Trustee Roe noted there are miscellaneous purchases at Brownlee Lumber that have been made for materials/supplies for upgrading the gym kitchen area totaling \$167.92 and materials needed for roof leak in room 203 for \$32.18; and Sherwin Williams for materials to paint gym doors for \$155.47. He entertains a motion to approve purchase orders and payments in the total amount of \$355.57.

25-02-18 Trustee Batenburg motioned to approve payments to each of the above listed expenses. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion and it passed 3:0.

Sean Norman stated there is a cruiser that needed costly repairs done to it in the amount of \$2,894.00. Chief Norman asks for approval on these repairs that he should have brought to the Board prior to initiation of the work to be done. This work was done by Sunset Motors.

25-02-19 Trustee Batenburg motioned to approve the repair work and to pay the bill in the amount of \$2,894.00 on a 2021 police cruiser at Sunset Motors. Trustee Kamerer seconded the motion and it passed 3:0.

Chief Norman also stated the police fund was reimbursed for state training this year in the vicinity of \$5,000.00.

Chief Norman also reminded the Board the School Resource Officer position/contract will be up for renewal again this spring for the next school season. Superintendent Sudvary is onboard with this renewal. This SRO will also be trained as a DARE officer, which was approved at the last meeting. There may be a conditional local grant to cover the expense.

Chrissy Crawford noted the parks and rec will be holding another paint and sip on March 14, 2025. Mother's Day will be a tea party with a paint and sip. Easter Egg hunt is scheduled for April 12, 2025. She also asked permission for her 4-H group to decorate the side building door/window area to promote 4H. Chrissy also stated she would like to have a spring clean up sometime in the spring.

Bub Lazear asked when meetings would start taking place in the new building. Trustee Batenburg stated as soon as painting is done in the back (the old kitchen/cafeteria area).

Trustee Kamerer stated Plum Run has a slip. He stated Ascent will be going out to assess tomorrow as we have a RUMA agreement with them. Material to fix it has been offered to us at no cost (except we will have to pay to have it hauled). Trustee Batenburg noted this slip is out by his property. FEMA fixed it 30 years ago putting 6x6 wood in between piling. With the large number of large trucks using the road, this was inevitable to happen. The rock material is free, the Township will have to pay to haul it. Jason Rawson was contacted and for approximately \$5,000.00, they will haul the rock. At this

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time, Eric Hilty from the County Engineer's office estimates a slip repair is between \$900 and \$1,400 per foot. This project is approximately 1000 feet. Trustees Batenburg and Kamerer also noted there are two other spots that are starting, one just next to Clyde Telek's.

25-02-20 Trustee Kamerer motioned to approve the hauling of rocks by Jason Rawson at a cost of \$100.00 per hour for an approximate total of \$5,000.00. Trustee Batenburg seconded the motion and it passed 3:0.

Trustee Kamerer stated there is a culvert pipe on Riddles Run that got washed out a few years ago. The property owners now want access to their property. According to the County Engineer's office, the Trustees can not tell the property owners how to install a culvert. They will need to be encouraged to have the county engineer's office assess the proper process to install a culvert. Solicitor Clark noted the owners should definitely contact the Army Corp of Engineers, as they would know how to go about the installation.

Trustee Roe spoke with Butch Keyoski about the wall located down second street coming around the corner at the funeral home, would it be possible to put a warning sign there so no one runs over that wall. Trustee Roe also asked about putting "not a GPS route" signs at various points.

Trustee Batenburg questioned if the Robert's property on Buckingham Ridge, across from Duke's property has been addressed as it is a horrible mess. Chief Norman stated it is going through the process of receiving a citation through the court.

With no further business, Trustee Roe entertains adjourning this meeting.

25-02-21 Trustee Kamerer motioned to adjourn at 7:04 pm. Trustee Batenburg seconded and it passed 3:0.

Rodney P. Roe  
Trustee

Jeff  
Trustee

Ben Bata  
Trustee

Leslie Harvey  
Fiscal Officer