

Board Meeting Minutes
Pinora Township, Lake County
4032 S. Deer Lake Rd., Reed City, MI 49677
<https://pinoratownshipmi.org>

August 7th, 2023 @ 7pm

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Victoria Dennett at 7:00pm.

Pledge to the American Flag: Pledge was led by Sidney Woods.

Roll Call: A roll call was taken. All board members present.

Approve Agenda: Motion to approve agenda was made by Robert Visner. Seconded by Sidney Woods. Motion carried.

Clerks report: Ashley Visner presented minutes from July 10th, 2023. Donald Dvoracek made a motion to accept the minutes. Sidney Woods seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Donald Dvoracek reported a July beginning balance of \$145,077.71 and ending balance of \$97,122.76 with \$46,316.30 of deposits and \$94,271.25 of expenses. Robert Visner made a motion to approve the treasurers report. Sidney Woods seconded. Motion carried.

Assessor Report: Molly Whetstone was not in attendance.

Members of the Community

***Kristine Raymond, Commissioner:** In attendance. Kristine reported that Lake County was awarded a EDA grant, continuing progress on the ORV training park, and continued reuse of the RRP facility.

***Bob, community member:** handed out pamphlets on eliminating property tax; meeting at Pompeii's Pizza in Baldwin at 7pm on August 23rd.

***Sheriff Martin, LCSD:** He spoke about the Troutarama festival, a couple fatal accidents, and new Yates dial a ride hours.

***Tom Kunse, State Representative:** Tom was in attendance. He introduced himself and spoke about topics being discussed in Lansing; he handed out business cards and to contact him with any questions or concerns.

***Dave Belden, LTFD:** Dave reported no calls for Pinora Township during the month.

***LCRC:** They reported that Tom is retired and Al will be the new person to contact. Also, they resealed 8th St. from Frank Smith to Hawkins.

Old Business:

1. Well septic location reconfirmed waiting on Waldron Well Drilling.

New Business:

1. Pay all bills that have been submitted that are on the approved list. Donald Dvoracek made a motion to pay bills on the approved list. Robert Visner seconded. Motion carried.
2. Pay all bills that have been submitted that are not on the approved list. There are none.
3. Amend the budget for audit. Due to miscommunication between the township and CPA, the state is making the township do an audit every year, for the next 4 years. Donald Dvoracek made a motion to amend the budget +\$2,100.00. Robert Visner seconded. Motion carried.
4. Cemetery discussion for new sexton and the vault that needs to be moved.
 - 4.1. New Sexton: Ashley Visner presented to the board that Brandon Stieg would like to be the new sexton, as Peter Merklinger can no longer do the job due to his health. Robert Visner made a motion to temporarily use Brandon as our sexton, but he needs to come to a meeting and introduce himself before the board will approve him. Donald Dvoracek seconded. Motion carried.
 - 4.2. Vault that needs to be moved: Ashley Visner discussed that after the last meeting Peter Merklinger is no longer able to move the vault. Ashley spoke with multiple grave diggers, who would dig the site, but they did not want to move the vault, and she spoke with two vault companies who would move the vault. So Ashley presented the costs of each grave digger and vault company. Sidney Woods made a motion to approve Doug Worrell to dig the grave for \$600 and Saginaw Wilbert vault company to move the vault for \$700. Donald Dvoracek seconded. Motion carried.

5. Report on July Board of Review: 1 person showed up, Sanford Dennett and Kelly Weaver worked.
6. Report on Large Item Pick-up: 36 drop offs with 8 of them repeats, 93 tires.

Correspondence and Announcements:

- Sign paperwork for Metro Act: Our agreement expires on 12/31/23. Donald Dvoracek made a motion to extend our agreement with the Metro Act through Dec. 31, 2028. Sidney Woods seconded. Motion carried.
- Meeting Dates for 2023/2024 @ 7pm: Sept. 11, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4, Jan. 2 (Tuesday), Feb. 5, March 4.

Adjournment: Robert Visner moved to adjourn the meeting. Donald Dvoracek seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm
Submitted by Ashley Visner