

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

January 2nd, 2024

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: Robert Visner made a motion to approve the agenda, with the change of removing the word "sexton" on New Business #3. Donald Dvoracek seconded. All in Favor: **all**; All Opposed: **none**. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report: Ashley Visner presented minutes from December 4th, 2023. Robert Visner made a motion to approve the minutes. Donald Dvoracek seconded. All in Favor: **all**; All Opposed: **none**. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Donald Dvoracek reported a beginning December balance of \$84,493.97 and ending balance of \$104,176.64 with \$35,944.47 in deposits and \$16,261.80 in expenses. Robert Visner made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Sidney Woods seconded. All in Favor: **all**; All Opposed: **none**. Motion carried. Additionally, there is \$0 left in savings.

Assessor's Report: Molly Whetstone was not in attendance.

Commissioner's Report: Kristine Raymond was in attendance, but had nothing to present.

Members of the community: none

Old Business

1. Cemetery policy being worked on by Ashley Visner.
2. Cemetery #1: trees removal will cost \$2,200. This job is completed.
3. S Deer Lake Rd. and E. 40th St. Road signs ordered; waiting to be installed.

New Business

1. Pay all bills that have been submitted that are on the approved list. Donald Dvoracek made a motion to pay all bills on the approved list. Sidney Woods seconded. All in Favor: **all**; All Opposed: **none**. Motion carried.
2. Pay all bills that have been submitted that are not on the approved list. A bill for Foster/Swift for \$237.50 was presented. Donald Dvoracek made a motion to pay this bill. Sidney Woods seconded. All in Favor: **all**; All Opposed: **none**. Motion carried.
3. Patrick Johnson with Cemetery information. First, Patrick presented a drone picture of cemetery #1. This helps to determine where the property lines are for each cemetery lot. Then, he spoke about putting in cemetery markers. He will get a quote for putting markers in for the north half of the cemetery on 40th St. every 100 feet. Additionally, he found a property line issue with the cemetery #2 on 8th St, where the township is using the neighbors land. The township board will look into this issue with the deed. Lastly, the north half of 40th St. cemetery needs to be remapped because the original placement of the lots/sites is not correct. Robert Visner made a motion to have the north part mirror the south part of the cemetery and to allow Ashley Visner proceed with changing the map. Donald Dvoracek seconded. All in Favor: **all**; All Opposed: **none**. Motion carried.
4. Discussion on Verizon Tower at the hall. Ashley Visner made a motion to end the discussion on the tower and make it known that the township board is no longer interested in the Verizon tower

at the township hall. Donald Dvoracek seconded. All in Favor: **all**; All Opposed: **none**. Motion carried.

5. Resolution to Establish Poverty Guidelines for Exemption from Property Tax Contributions. Robert Visner made a motion to accept the tiered guidelines. Donald Dvoracek seconded. Roll call vote: **all ayes**. Motion carried.

Correspondence and Announcements

*Meeting dates for 2023-2024: Feb 5, Mar 4; All meetings start at 7pm

*March BOR is scheduled for March 11 @9am to 3pm and March 13 @ 3pm to 9pm.

*March Organizational Meeting is March 5 @ 8am

*Large Item pick-up for 2024 is August 3rd, 2024 @ 8am-Noon

Adjournment: Robert Visner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Donald Dvoracek seconded. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm.

Submitted by Ashley Visner