

Regular Meeting Vernon Township Board  
July 10, 2023  
6801 S. Durand Rd., Durand MI 48429

Present: Supervisor Bert DeClerg, Clerk Susan Bannister, Treasurer Mary Jane Edwards, and Trustee Janeene Temple. Absent Trustee Janet Sprague.

The meeting was called to order with the saying of the Pledge at 7:00 pm.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The June 12, 2023, board meeting minutes were approved without changes.

The Sheriff's report was presented by Det. Seth Abbey.

The fire report was presented by Fire Chief Dan Bannister. The township board made the following approvals for the fire department.

- The training line item of the fire budget was amended from \$1500 to \$2500.
- The department was given permission to pursue the Department of Treasury grant for \$20,000.00.
- The fire department is permitted to continue pursuing Medical First Responder.

There was no zoning or planning commission meeting for June 2023.

The building report was reviewed and approved. There were 12 permits for the month of June, totaling \$2,592.00.

Trustee Janet Sprague supplied a written report of the ambulance activities. There was a discussion on staffing, budget, and the status of Chief Hubbard's suspension. Based on the request of Trustee Sprague the board has approved Trustee Sprague to submit a motion of no confidence in Chief Hubbard and to request his resignation should the SSES board decide to bring Chief Hubbard back to his position.

The clerk reported on the various activities surrounding elections and the budget.

The VFW notified the township board that they are working on a project to provide flag holders for all veterans buried in Love Joy, Greenwood, and Chalker cemeteries. They plan on submitting a petition to the township board in the future.

The Water Shed Coalition was given \$50,000.00 out of the DNR budget to put towards activities in Shiawassee County. They are putting together a committee to discuss how the funds will be utilized.

There are two companies interested in the property known as “the land.” Both companies are battery plants looking for 150-500 acres. Both companies will be touring the property in the coming weeks.

Supervisor DeClerg is meeting with EGLE regarding e-coli in the drains.

The township board approved payment of the SATA invoice and their commitment for the 2023 – 2024 fiscal year.

Bills were presented and approved.

Susan Bannister, Township Clerk