

ELBA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
Ashley Township Building
Ashley MI 48806
January 14, 2025

The meeting was opened by Roger at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Present: Madalin, Paula, Connie, Jensen and Roger.

Absent:

Visitors: Chuck Washburn, Steve Sopocy, Edward and Joanne Forfusen, Mr. and Mrs. Ladiski and Lance and Chelsea Kirk

Motion by Connie and second by Jensen to accept the clerk's minutes. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Connie and second by Paula to pay the bills with the addition of a bill by Bill Terrell for \$5,000.00 for the removal of the house at the Bannister Park. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve announced the park board reviewed our application for a grant but didn't like some of the wording. A new application was sent and the park board was meeting on January January 15th to review the new application.

Better Life donated \$1,000.00 for use of the township hall during the train. Country Christmas also donated \$500.00 for use of 100 S. Sterling Street during the train prior to the meeting.

CORRESPONDE

Certificate of Achievement – Roger received a certificate for a perfect score of 100 on the assessor audit.

CEMETERY

LDE used the new snow blower at no charge to the township. Paula would like to turn the old mausoleum into a chapel and display maps of the cemetery. Paula would also like to have the bush pile burned. Paula would also like a millage put on the cemetery on the election in 2026. She would also like to get a transport trailer to move the mower to and from the gas station and the park.

OLD BUSINESS

BOR Change/Training – Dave Osborn wants to take a break from the board of review so he will be replaced with Ron Boulis.

Motion by Paula and second by Jensen to remove Dave Osborn from the board and replace him with Ron Boulis as an alternate. Carried unanimously.

Jensen talked about her training as a trustee.

NEW BUSINESS

Investment Policy – Motion by Jensen and second by Connie to approve the investment policy. A roll call vote was taken.

Jensen – yes, Paula – yes, Roger – yes, Connie – yes and Madalin – yes. Carried unanimously.

2025-2026 Budget Items

Roger needs to contact Bobby Studt about helping with the village roads.

Roger had \$300,00.00 budgeted for Follet's old gas station.

What we are planning for the park.

Resourceful Recycling is raising their rate by \$5.00.

Motion by Connie and second by Madalin to adjourn meeting. Carried unanimously.
Meeting closed at 8:05pm.

Madalin C. Morris

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Township Clerk