



Comins Township  
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Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

**April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024, Regular Meeting:** Called to order at 6:02pm, Pledge lead by Supervisor Rob Murphy.

**Present:** Supervisor Rob Murphy, Clerk Amanda Barajas, Treasurer Deb Dew, Trustees Dave Yoder and Arisa Handrich.

**Others Present:** See Sign In Sheet

**Guest:**

**Oscoda County District Library (Amy Knepp, Director & Dennis Rooker, Deb Shumaker CT Reps)**

Yearend recap of library content and people served. The library is currently looking into buying a new building for the Fairview branch. Informed the Board on their hiring procedures and about the employee who was arrested for CSC charges.

Public Expressed great concerns over the library not adhering to their own policies. Along with the types of classes they were offering, their Facebook page, bullying, the books being displayed in the children's section and the presence of recently terminated employee with pending CSC charges around the library. The Board strongly encouraged their representatives of the township to bring these concerns to their board and find a solution for the community.

**Kyle Yoder, Planning Commission Chair**

Presented Capital Improvement Plan 2024-2028

**Public Comment:** Supervisor reminded everyone that they are welcome to comment throughout our meetings.

Sandy Green – Steiner Museum pancake breakfast May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Ryan Blair (OCSD) - Kid was caught hitting down cameras at Boney Park. Requesting 4 hours of work for him to show his accountability for his actions, no monetary damage was done.

**Discussion: Supervisor Rob Murphy:**

1. ARPA Public Opinion: The Board seeking insight of how to best utilize funds. Ideas from public included playground equipment, Fire Department resources, fencing for the pavilion side of the park, road signs, speed signs, garbage cans for town, ext.
2. The public has expressed great interest in exploring a blight ordinance for the township. The Planning Commission to hold public opinion and determine how to proceed.
3. Esch's Septic Contract Received and will be going up \$100 monthly this year.
4. Flags for town are in rough condition and need replaced, have to be replaced about every third year.
5. Sidewalk Phase III plans have been started and landscaping is being quoted for last years sidewalks.
6. In November 2024 the Comins Township Board will be made up of new elected faces, petitions received by the township Clerk include Katie Dienen, Thomas Stewart, Lori Lewis for Supervisor, Amanda Barajas for Clerk, Kevin Salsbury for Treasurer, Blake Synder, and John Kuziel for Trustee.
7. The Township received a notice of foreclosure from the County with the option to purchase it for \$500. The property is located in Smith Lake Heights Lot 111.

8. Clerk Amanda Barajas informed the Board of employee Sharon Kaufman's health issues and Roxsann Prell stepping in to clean while she is unable to work. Requested the Board raise her pay from \$11hr to \$13 hourly.
9. Clerk Amadna Barajas presented quote for new playground equipment by the baseball diamonds.
10. An air tank on Truck #1 for the Fire Department urgently needs to be replaced.
11. Annual Tire recycling event to take place June 8<sup>th</sup>. The public also expressed interest in a "Free Dump Day" at the transfer site.
12. Docs at Perry Lake are going in.

**Agenda Items Approved:**

<i>Yoder/Handrich</i>	<i>March 26<sup>th</sup> Budget and Regular Meeting Minutes</i>
<i>Murphy/Barajas</i>	<i>Capital Improvement Plan 2024-2028</i>
<i>Yoder/Handrich</i>	<i>Flags for town up to \$1700.00</i>
<i>Murphy/Yoder</i>	<i>Phase III Sidewalk Plans \$1500.00</i>
<i>Murphy/Handrich</i>	<i>Waiver to Purchase Foreclosed Property: Lot 111 SLH</i>
<i>Barajas/Dew</i>	<i>Roxsann Prell \$13 Hourly</i>
<i>Yoder/Barajas</i>	<i>Playground Equipment, Install, &amp; Mulch \$45,129 - ARPA Funds</i>
<i>Murphy/Yoder</i>	<i>\$1500 for Air Tank Replacement on FFD Truck #1</i>
<i>Dew/Murphy</i>	<i>Payroll &amp; Bills Ck#21575-21590</i>
<i>Murphy/Barajas</i>	<i>Tire Recycling Day @ \$1 a tire</i>

**Reports:**

*Treasure's Report: March 2024*  
*PC Minutes: April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024*  
*Social Media: Local Government nominating petitions, tire recycle, and ARPA Public Opinion*  
*Zoning Report*

**Correspondence:**

*PIE&G Holding their annual Board meeting May 21<sup>st</sup>*

**Adjournment:** *at 8:40pm Barajas/Murphy/Handrich/Yoder/Dew*

**Next Meeting:** *May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024*