

**GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2023**

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Ganges Township Hall, corner of 119th Avenue and 64th Street. Board members present by roll call: Hutchins, Reimink, and Hebert. Absent – Phelps, Mohr

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence – Email from Scott Robbins providing support for the planned improvements at Pier Cove Park, Email from Darell Zerbe expressing safety concerns he has regarding the planned improvements at Pier Cove Park.

Public Comments – County Commissioner Dean Kapenga gave a report on happenings at the county. Kathleen Yankee introduced Robin Buchler as the new library representative.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the September 12, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of September 30, 2023 as follows:

General Fund	\$435,566.55
Ambulance Fund	\$16,115.17
Fire Fund	\$319,526.30
First Responders	\$76,486.24
Road Fund	\$194,220.63
Road CD	\$370,000.00
CD	\$503,732.96

Hebert moved, Hutchins supported, to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Dan Diaz, Fire Chief, did not have an update for the board

A.J. Broe, Cemetery Sexton, provided an update on the township cemeteries and parks. Broe advised there was 1 burial this past month. Broe also advised a vehicle had damaged head stones and a post at Taylor Cemetery.

Dick Hutchins, Planning Commission, reported that the Planning Commission is working on updating the zoning ordinance.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Hebert moved, Hutchins supported, to approve the proposed design concept, authorize the creation of construction drawings and progress construction quotes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Hebert moved, Reimink supported, to approve the erosion abatement license agreements for Sarah Sotos at 1414 Katherine Street and James Wilson at 1442 Katherine Street. Motion carried.

The board discussed the proposal from the Fennville, Pullman, and Lakeshore Rotary to install a life jacket station at Pier Cove Park. The Township Board decided to forward the information to the Pier Cove Improvement Committee and check with the township insurance provider.

Hebert moved, Reimink supported, to accept the letter of resignation from Phillip VanDenBrink with regret. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins supported, to approve the request made by Mr. and Mrs. Valentine to transfer cemetery deed number 309 to Lisa Reeves. Motion carried.

Public Comment - None

Hebert moved, Reimink supported, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

John Hebert  
Ganges Township Supervisor