

MINUTES OF ARBELA TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

October 13th, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Edward Hunt at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present – Gary Woelzlein, Beth Duet, Jody Hunt, Tim Anderson, and Ed Hunt

MOTION: By Beth Duet to approve the minutes of the September 8th, 2025 meeting

SUPPORT: Gary Woelzlein, motion carried

MOTION: By Jody Hunt to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 22nd, 2025 meeting

SUPPORT: Tim Anderson, motion carried

MOTION: By Tim Anderson to approve the minutes of the closed session of the September 22nd, 2025 meeting

SUPPORT: Gary Woelzlein, motion carried

MOTION: By Jody Hunt to approve the payment of bills and payroll

SUPPORT: Tim Anderson, motion carried

Supervisor, Ed Hunt, gave the fire report. Next meeting is December 1st, 2026. Ed noted that it has been mentioned that the intersection of Birch Run Rd and M-15 continues to see increased amounts of accidents and for everyone to be careful and pay attention.

Supervisor, Ed Hunt, gave police report. Deputy Fini started on road patrol in our township at the end of the month and between her and the previous Deputy they completed 17 stops in the month of September with 10 additional stops from other Tuscola County Deputies.

Supervisor, Ed Hunt, gave a road report. The new tube installation is a big discussion, roadside mowing has started, and there will be a drain clean up as well as a ditch clean up

Supervisor, Ed Hunt, gave an update on building and grounds. The parking lot seal has been completed. Mr. Chad Ross is appealing with the Circuit Court.

Mr. Bouvey, Millington Community School Superintendent, addressed the board and resident attendees about updates from the sinking fund and projects that have been completed. He also mentioned that he will be looking for volunteers for strategic planning committees.

MOTION: By Jody Hunt to hire Brandon Long to do snow removal for the 2025/2026 season

SUPPORT: Tim Anderson, motion carried.

MOTION: By Gary Woelzlein to adopt Amendment to the Arbela Township Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance number 2025-5

SUPPORT: Jody Hunt, Roll call vote; Gary Woelzlein, yes; Tim Anderson, yes; Jody Hunt, yes; Beth Duet, yes; Ed Hunt, yes, motion carried.

MOTION: By Jody Hunt to adopt the resolution for energy storage facility fee schedule

SUPPORT: Beth Duet, Roll call vote; Jody Hunt, yes; Beth Duet, yes; Ed Hunt, yes; Tim Anderson, yes; Gary Woelzlein, yes, motion carried.

MOTION: By Tim Anderson to renew the Consumers Energy Franchise renewal request

SUPPORT: Gary Woelzlein, Roll call vote; Gary Woelzlein, yes; Jody Hunt, yes; Tim Anderson, yes; Beth Duet, yes; Ed Hunt, yes, motion carried

Invoice for publishing is to be sent to Consumers Energy to reimburse the township for the cost of publish printing.

Gas and Oil Supplier: Petzold Gas and Oil Company will no longer be in service and has passed their book of business to Fairgrove Oil and Propane. The idea of a gas card for the township truck and the police car was discussed and will be looked into.

Hall Bathrooms: The idea of a renovation for the hall bathrooms was discussed with different opinions being voiced. Costs of differing levels of renovation will be looked into.

Brush Spray 2026: The Daltons reached back out once they were contacted via email about the chemicals they use and what their dilution rate and prices were. Dates of application were unsure due to their schedule being a bit fluid as to 2026 dates thus far.

Budget Amendments: Working on some numbers to be able to give a recommendation for amount of Amendment

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION: By Jody Hunt to take the Cemetery Ordinance off the table

SUPPORT: Tim Anderson, motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Some wording changed, Ed will have some changes added and typed up and will be sent to the board for preview prior to the November meeting. Also changed the requirement of even if there are headstones are there, if the deceased is no longer a resident of the township then they will have to pay for their grave.

MOTION: Tim Anderson to table the Cemetery Ordinance

SUPPORT: Gary Woelzlein

Citizen Comments:

Mr. Platt: Asked about police doing house/welfare checks, also commented about the possible bathroom renovation 'If you wouldn't want it in your own house, you should do something with it'

MOTION: By Tim Anderson to adjourn at 7:22 pm

SUPPORT: Jody Hunt, motion carried

Beth Duet

Arbela Township Clerk