

# ***Essex Township Meeting Minutes***

August 26, 2025

## **1. Call to order**

Scholtes called to order the regular meeting at 6:00 PM on August 26, 2025.

## **2. Roll call**

Scholtes, Bergan, Humphrey, Myer, Dippold and Wepprecht were present. Carol Ferraro was present for cemetery business.

## **3. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Scholtes read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read with a motion by Myer and a second by Humphrey

## **4. Treasurer's report and approval of bills**

Scholtes read the report. Dippold motioned to approve with a second by Myer.

## **5. Road Commissioner's Report**

- a) Heritage Prairie Solar Power Substation work has started. Access road signs are posted for construction vehicle traffic.

## **6. Old Business**

- 1. None

## **7. New business**

- a) Scholtes working with State of Illinois on 2 applications for state grant monies.

## **8. Cemetery Business/Public Comments**

Myer calls Noffke when cemetery lawns need mowed and they come out soon and complete them in a timely manner.

North Cemetery has 2 dead trees that will need removed at a future date.

Michelle Axium was in attendance and had a few questions for the board.

- a) She asked about the difference in responsibilities between the Essex Village Board and the Essex Township Board. Scholtes responded to her with the responsibilities of each entity and the Township Board has no responsibility within the Essex Village boundaries.
- b) She asked what the 3 million dollars that the township received from Pattern Energy for the Heritage Prairie Substation was to be used for. Scholtes replied that the dollars are to be used for

compensation to repair construction damage that will occur during the Heritage Prairie Substation installation.

She asked if the Township Board was aware of any further future projects besides the Heritage Prairie Solar Project. Wepprecht responded that there are a proposed 8 wind turbines in Essex Township all within 1 ½ miles of Rt 17 south of the Village of Essex.

Ann Scholtes was in attendance with no comment

## **9. Adjournment**

Scholtes adjourned the meeting at 6:28 pm with a motion by Dippold and a second by Meyr.

Minutes submitted by: Bergan