

# ***Essex Township Meeting Minutes***

September 30, 2025

## **I. Call to order**

Scholtes called to order the regular meeting at 6:00pm on September 30, 2025.

## **II. Roll call**

Scholtes, Meyr, Storm, Humphrey, and Dippold were present with Carol Ferrero representing the cemetery board.

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

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

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

Scholtes read the report. Meyr motioned to approve with a second by Humphrey

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

- a) Not present, no report given.

## **VI. Old Business**

- 1. None

## **VII. New business**

- a) Scholtes discussed adding township email addresses for all members at an estimated cost of \$400/year. Motion by Storm and second by Humphrey. Motion passed unanimously.
- b) Scholtes discussed putting out a request for proposals for a new building to get some idea of costs in order to move forward with grant application process. Motion by Storm and second by Meyr. Motion passed unanimously.
- c) Implementation of a public speaking ordinance was discussed with guidelines that follow the Open Meetings Act. The proposed ordinance was read in full. A motion by Meyr to approve the ordinance was made with a second by Storm. Motion passed unanimously.

## **VIII. Cemetery Business/Public Comments:**

- a) No new burials at the cemeteries. Will need new flags and will submit for reimbursement. There are some tree branches and woods encroaching on the cemetery which will be addressed if necessary when dead trees are cut down.
- b) Multiple members of the public were present to discuss various topics. Kylie Rainey questioned allowability of video recording at meetings. Dale Schultz discussed continued heavy truck traffic on 14000 and numerous safety and traffic violations. Nate Coffman also discussed trucks driving recklessly. Michelle Axiom questioned the notification process between Kankakee County and other taxing bodies regarding proposed new projects coming to the area.

## **IX. Adjournment**

Scholtes adjourned the meeting at 6:24pm with a motion by Meyr and a second by Humphrey.

Minutes submitted by: Scholtes