

**Colfax Township**  
**5594 N. 192<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Walkerville MI 49459**  
**Minutes - August 1, 2023**

Meeting was called to order by David Leonard, Supervisor at 7:00 pm

Roll Call	<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Present</u>	
	David Leonard, Supervisor	X	
	Shelby Branch, Treasurer	X	
	Corinne Norton, Clerk	X	
	Brad Norton, Trustee	X	
	Stuart Overway, Trustee	X	<b>Public: 7 attendees; 2 speakers</b>

**Board/Public Meeting**

Motion made by Shelby to accept agenda seconded by Brad. Vote role/voice carried. Yes – 5, No - 0

Motion made by David to accept previous month's minutes, seconded by Shelby. Vote role/voice carried  
Yes – 5 No - 0

Motion made by Stuart to accept Treasurer's Report seconded by Brad. Vote role/voice carried Yes – 5, No - 0

Motion made by David to accept Invoices seconded by Shelby. Vote role/voice carried. Yes - 5, No – 0

**New Business:**

Town Hall Demolition – Received a quote from American Classic - \$14,000. Jim offered to check into a couple other contractors. Those who were interest in Old Hall backed out due to the expense of moving electrical wires. Motion made by David and seconded by Stuart to put ad in Oceana Herald. Vote role/voice carried. Yes – 5 No - 0

State Rep. J. Fox – Provided a mid-year updates with a handout. A discussion occurred regarding Fire Arm bill.

County Commissioner, P. Erickson – Medicare Facility struggling with losing staff. Increase in Day Care. Black Lake County Park – Currently working towards picnic tables and walking paths and a grant for Crystal Valley dam. Three ambulances on the road now. Echo Free paper sent in mail – suggested Clerks use for Township notices.

Brownsfield Resolution 2023-4 – Voted on the Resolution. David made the motion and Shelby seconded. Vote role/voice carried Yes – 5 No - 0

Township Attorney, Catherine Kaufman - Specialty in bonds, etc. Leavitt recommended her. We may need in the future regarding Solar Farms. A resolution is needed in order to accept her services. Motion made by David and second by Corinne. Vote role/voice carried Yes – 5 No - 0

Resolution to Hire J. Yancey to assist with Quick Books/Intuit. Motion made by Brad and seconded by Shelby. Vote role/voice carried Yes – 5 No – 0. David commented that Corinne and Shelby be trained in Quick Books & Intuit.

Recycling Location – David met with Leavitt and Crystal Township regarding a Recycling Location.

Cemetery Survey – Hemsworth will take a survey and provide a cost.

Ruth Drive – We have 2 different accounts – Construction Funds and Debit Elimination Fund (Bond fund). Close out Construction Fund – Paid and transfer to Debit Fund (\$25,202.49). Motion made by David and seconded by Shelby. Vote role/voice carried Yes – 5 No – 0

**Old Business:**

Fire Trucks – Sold both for **\$15,075** through Miedema Auctions. A \$100 donation was made.

Lake View Drive – Resident commented he was not notified when road was graded. David was told by Road Commission does not receive a file on property.

**Public Comment:**

Question to Mr. Fox regarding Red Flag.

It was asked where to go to bring up the issue of boats causing large waves. It was suggested to check with DNR, or Lake Association Board to come up with a resolution.

Weeds in School Section Lake are getting bad. Need a special assessment for property owners to pay for removal of weeds. David will check into issue of an assessment.

Motion made by Stuart to adjourn meeting seconded by Corinne. Vote role/voice carried. Yes – 5, No – 0

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm

Corinne Norton  
Colfax Township Clerk