

Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2025

6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Forder at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Peck-present, Ms. Aranyos-present, Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Forder-yes.

Guest Speakers: n/a

Deputy Morgan:

Report was in writing.

- 35 offense reports and 49 incident reports for the month of December 2024.
- 2024 total calls for service were 1,207.
- Highest crime type for the month of December was mental health.
- December was a decrease in report of 7.8 percent for the month.

Township Business:

Fiscal Officer Candace Forder

Motion# 07-2025 was made by Mr. Peck to approve the Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes dated December 12, 2024, as presented. Ms. Aranyos 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Motion# 08-2025 was made by Ms. Aranyos to approve the Monroe Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes dated December 20, 2024, as presented,

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Motion# 09-2025 was made by Mr. Peck to approve the financial statements (included in the packets) for the period ending December 31, 2024, as presented. Ms. Aranyos 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Motion# 10-2025 was made by Ms. Aranyos to enter Executive Session per ORC# 121.22 (G) (1) employment of a public employee. Mr. Peck 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Entered Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.

Returned to regular session at 6: 47 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Peck-present, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-present, Ms. Forder-present.

Action taken:

Motion# 11-2025 was made by Mr. Peck to increase wages for Township employees in the amount of 4%, with full-time Firefighters/EMS/Medic by 1%. (full-time received a 3% increase on January 1, 2025). Effective January 19, 2025. Ms. Aranyos 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Township Hall Rental: Ms. Aranyos has volunteered to oversee the rental. A contract needs to be prepared and a rental price and deposit.

Zoning Mike Boots

Report is in writing.

- 2 permits issued since the last meeting and 1 new violation.
- There were numerous calls and emails replied to.

Maintenance Greg Schrichten

Report was in writing.

The department has been busy plowing road. Additional salt has been ordered and part of the order has been delivered.

The saw blade has not been delivered.

Cemeteries Greg Schrichten

- 1 grave marked for burial and 1 foundation marked.

Fire/EMS Department Chief Steve Downey

Report is in writing.

- 127 runs for the month of December.
- 1,427 runs for 2024.

Asst Chief Lang explained the need for internet boosters. All information was printed and presented with the different options available,

Motion# 12-2025 was made by Mr. Peck to authorize Asst Chief Lang to make the purchase of 4 -R650 for \$500.00 each and \$750.00 installation. When installing they will troubleshoot

the maintenance building to see what is causing their poor connection. Ms. Aranyos 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Chief Downey and Asst Chief Lang responded to 2658 SR 222 for a complain of their driveway being blocked and if needed the Fire Truck would not have access to their house. They are reviewing fire codes and have requested legal easement documents from the resident.

The exhaust system is still not completed in the addition. Changes had to be made to the maintenance side of the building.

Motion# 13-2025 was made by Ms. Aranyos to remove Carl Watson from probation with a pay change from \$18.88 per hour to \$19.45 per hour effective January 5, 2025. Mr. Peck 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Motion# 14-2025 was made by Mr. Peck to remove Austin Caldwell from probation with a pay change from \$18.88 to \$19.45 per hour effective January 5, 2025. Ms. Aranyos 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Motion# 15-2025 was made by Ms. Aranyos to remove Tim Seehousen from probation with a pay change from \$18.15 per hour to \$18.70 per hour effective January 5, 2025. Mr. Peck 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Ms. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Other Business:

Mr. Forder thanked the Fire/EMS Department for all their help installed the flooring in the new addition and the Maintenance Department for all the long hours removing the snow.

Mr. Forder suggested that in the future that Chair and Vice-Chair should be a rotation and not an elected position.

Motion# 16-2025 was made by Mr. Peck to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Aranyos 2nd the motion,

Vote: Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Aranyos-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Minutes taken by Candace Forder

Mr. Peck _____

Ms. Aranyos _____

Mr. Forder _____