

VERNON TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES  
MEETING HELD January 2, 2024

TOWNSHIP OF VERNON, COUNTY OF ISABELLA

LOREN COLE, CLERK

A. The Regular Meeting of the Vernon Township Board was held on January 2, 2024 at 6:30 p.m at the Vernon Township Hall. Members present were Ben Browning (Supervisor), Loren Cole (Clerk), Stephanie Allen (Treasurer), Lee Cole (Trustee) and Julie Cole (Deputy Clerk). Members absent: Jeff Denton (Trustee)

B. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Ben Browning with the Pledge to the Flag.

C. Lee Cole made the motion to approve the minutes from last month and the agenda for this month. Motion seconded by Loren Cole. Motion passed.

D. Visitors present:None.

E. Supervisor's Report:

1. Property Tax: BOR changes / Training.
2. Roads & Drains: 2024 project.
3. Township Assets:
  - a. Township Hall: Broadband Expansion. Waiting on agreement.
  - b. Cemetery: Veterans Wreath Distribution was done on 12/16/23 at noon.
4. Other:
  - a. Legal Issues:
    - i. Bonding for supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer continue.

F. Clerk's Report:

1. Budget: See reports.
2. Elections: February 27, 2024

G. Treasurer's Report

1. Financial Report as of December 31, 2023.

a. General/ Fund Checking.....	\$ 235,199.42
b. Waste/Garbage.....	\$ 65,398.14
c. Vernon City Highway Lighting.....	\$ 3,249.45
d. Vernon Twp Perpetual Care Savings.....	\$ 63,602.28
e. Super High Yield Acc. ....	\$ 11,206.49
f. Vernon Roadway Fund.....	\$ 136,927.79
g. ARPA funds .....	\$ 143,270.24

2. Funds Received for the month of December 2023.

a. Summer Taxes: .....	\$ 51.26
b. Mercantile Bank ... Interest .....	\$ 253.33
c. Gulf Mark...Oil Rights.....	\$ 131.80
d. Stephenson Wyman .. O/C of grave.....	\$ 200.00
e. Vernon Tax Acct. General.....	\$ 7,275.25
Waste.....	\$ 18,119.57
VCHL .....	\$ 76.21
Roads.....	\$ 14,551.20

3. Review and pay bills. Lee Cole made the motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$16,251.55. S. Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

H. Trustees' Report:

1. J. Denton: Absent.
2. Lee Cole: The toilet and sink continue to have hard water staining regardless of cleaning. There is a need for a water softener.

I. Old Business:

1. Discussion on UCA with the City of Clare. B. Browning will write up a rough draft for the lawyer and will send it to the Board for approval.

J. New Business:

1. None.

K. Public Comment: none

L. . Adjournment: S. Allen made the motion to adjourn. Lee Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed. This meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. on January 2, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Cole, Deputy Clerk