

**February 2025 Hematite Township Board Meeting Minutes, 2/12/2025**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Joe Hoenig at 5:15pm. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Supervisor Hoenig, Clerk Warren, Treasurer Haag, Trustee Raduechel and Trustee Richardson present.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:** Clerk Warren motioned to accept agenda as edited, supported by Trustee Raduechel.

**MINUTES REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE:** Treasurer Haag made motion to approve minutes, supported by Trustee Richardson.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** A) No calls this month. B) Brush truck repaired C) Fundraiser to be held 3/29

**WATER DEPARTMENT:** Water Operator Jacobson reports due to cold temps several residents on let-runs and there are no leaks.

**WATER BILLING:** Billing Clerk Casiano would like to remind public that water bills and questions are to be handled during business hours M-F from 8-4pm. Board requested that Casiano use water@hematitetownship.org email address, update billing system with BS&A and Sensus, and include a message on next water bill requesting that cars do not park on roads during snow event until the roads are cleared. Additional discussion had to update the resolution for insufficient funds/stop payment check to a \$35 fee.

**CONSTABLE/LIQUOR INSPECTIONS:** A) Liquor submitted with no violations. B) County will put up signs once winter parking ordinance is put through.

**SEXTON REPORT:** A) Eight cremations waiting for spring. B) Pet burial guidelines written.

**ASSESSOR REPORT:** Assessing going well, no problems. Supervisor Hoenig made motion to approve the Asset Test requirements for the Poverty Exemption, Treasurer Haag supported.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A) Snowmobiles: Discussion had about snowmobiles driving through old school property and park B) Budget: Discussion had about 2025-2026 Proposed Budget. Meeting to adopt the budget will be held at the next board meeting C) Constable pay: Supervisor Hoenig made motion to increase constable pay to \$1200 per year for liquor inspections, supported by Clerk Warren. D) Discussion had about washed-out bridge on Snuff Country. State will be handling this. E) Winter parking ordinance: Discussion had about standards for winter parking ordinance. F) Township vehicle: Supervisor Hoenig confirmed all vehicle usage is being used appropriately. Come spring, maintenance will have more than one staff member working on projects around the township. **OLD BUSINESS:** Reminder that Tax Day is 2/28.

**TREASURER/CLERK REPORT:** A) Checks to be approved: Motion made by Trustee Richardson to approve, supported by Trustee Raduechel. Additional check to equalization department approved. B) NO transfers needed this month.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Library would like to bring Debbie Cornelia onto the library board. Clerk Warren made motion to accept Debbie Cornelia to fill library board position until next election. Treasurer Haag supported. Library would like to offer older books for free to the community to pick up during library hours. Trustee Raduechel to add library information onto the Hematite website. Clerk requested library secretary email library minutes to clerk after every meeting.

Treasurer Haag made a motion to adjourn at 6:41pm and supported by Trustee Raduechel.

  
Joseph Hoenig, Township Supervisor

  
Vanessa Warren, Township Clerk