

May 2025 Hematite Township Board Meeting Minutes, 5/14/2025

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 Richardson present. Trustee Raduechel on medical leave, attended by phone.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Clerk Warren motioned to accept agenda, supported by Trustee Richardson.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT: **A)** No calls this month **B)** Supervisor Hoenig proposed purchasing road barricades for the fire department for visibility/safety. Treasurer Haag made motion to support the purchase of barricades, supported by Clerk Warren. **C)** Discussion had about a downtown district for open container alcohol. **D)** There is a benefit on Saturday, road will be blocked off.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Water Operator Jacobson reports no issues.

WATER BILLING: 12 residents received shut off letters this month, 5 have paid in full, 7 still have not.

CONSTABLE REPORT: **A)** Liquor submitted with no violations **B)** Dumpster is now available Thurs 3-7pm, Saturdays 9am-1pm until mid June. **C)** Supervisor Hoenig would like to remind residents that pets are property and must be contained.

SEXTON REPORT: **A)** Two burials in May went well. **B)** Sexton requested 20-25 additional hours for the summer to help level out headstones. Supervisor Hoenig made motion to add 20 hours to sexton's allotted summer hours of 40 hours per month to allow time to repair headstones. Any additional hours must be approved by the board. Supported by Clerk Warren.

NEW BUSINESS: **A)** Seasonal Maintenance Assistant needed. Letters of interest needed asap. Special meeting scheduled Tuesday 5/20 to hire applicant.

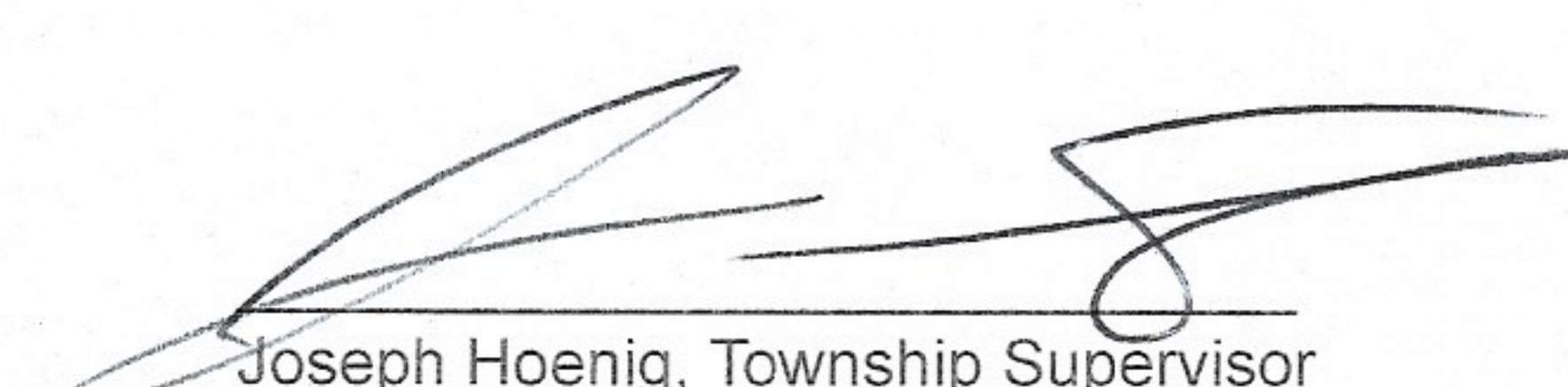
OLD BUSINESS: None

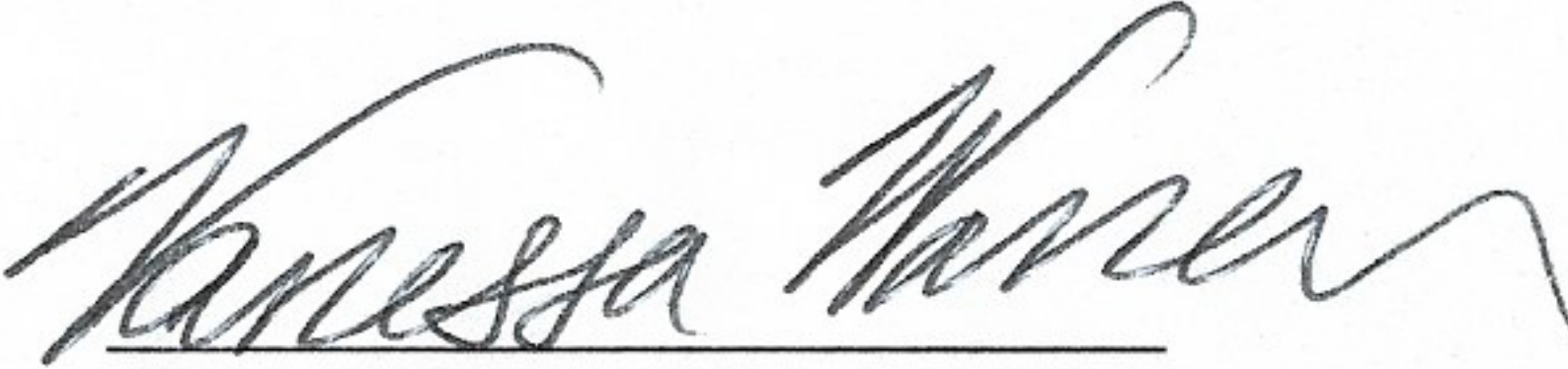
BOARD CONCERNS: **A)** Clerk Warren raised issue of vandalism on the pavilion beams and cigarette butts at the park. Requested cigarette disposal container. **B)** Discussion had about state leash laws and off leash pets in yards

TREASURER/CLERK REPORT: **A)** Checks to be approved: Motion made by Treasurer Haag to approve, supported by Trustee Raduechel. **B)** No transfers needed **C)** No loan payments needed until fall

PUBLIC COMMENT: Request from residents to use ballfield as a dog park under a 90 day trial. Jess and Jeff Hansen volunteered to clean waste and build wood gates. Supervisor Hoenig to contact lawyer to discuss. Decision to be made at the special meeting on 5/20.

Treasurer Haag made a motion to adjourn at 5:59 pm and supported by Trustee Richardson.


Joseph Hoenig, Township Supervisor


Vanessa Warren, Township Clerk