The meeting of the White River Township Board to be called to order at 7:00 PM by Supervisor Ron Bailey with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Ronald Bailey Supervisor, Patti Sargent Clerk, Deb Harris Treasurer, Laura Anderson & George Dufresne Trustees. All members present.

1. Approval of Agenda: Dufresne moved to approve the agenda as written. Harris supported the motion. All in favor, none opposed. Agenda approved.
2. Approval of May 14, 2024, Township Board meeting minutes. Sargent moved to approve the May 14th, 2024, meeting minutes as written. Anderson supported the motion. All in favor, none opposed. Meeting minutes from May 14, 2024, stand approved.
3. Public comment: Limited to 3 minutes each.
   1. Dave Pickard of 7565 N Old Channel Trail asked if there was a counter added to the web site to see how many people utilize the website. Yes, there is a counter at the bottom of each page.
   2. Tim Langland of Indian Point Road asked to have all motorized vehicles, dirt bikes, electric bikes and ORV / golfcarts included in the new ORV Ordinance. Also questioned why there was a marina without a special use permit.
4. Special Order of Business: (Comments by Board Members) none
5. Old (Unfinished) Business:
   1. Hancock Road update. Hancock Road has been resurfaced between Lamos Road and Indian Bay Road. Shoulder reinforcement is in progress. We have not been billed for the work as of today.
   2. Hemlock Tree disease. Wooley Adelgids. Look for evidence of infestation.
   3. The next election in White River Township is the Primary which will be held on August 6. The Clerk will be in the office from 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday, August 3, to register new voters and for those who would like to vote absentee. Check the White River Township Website for the dates and times of early voting at 1903 Marquette Ave. in Muskgeon. whiterivertwp.com
   4. Absentee Ballot Applications have been sent, this is the last year that the applications will be sent. Next year those who signed up for a ballot for every election will automatically receive a ballot. Please notify the clerk if you move out of White River Township so that our voting records are accurate. If you apply to vote somewhere else in Michigan, White River Township will be automatically notified.
   5. ZBA meeting, May 16th, Kyle and Anje Crow of 8421 Lamos Road, Montague (Permanent Parcel No. 61-01-125-200-0014-00) were approved to enlarge a non-conforming accessory building on that property.
   6. ORV Ordinance. The ordinance will be sent to the Township Attorney and reviewed at the July meeting of the Township Board.
6. New Business:
   1. Short Term Rentals Ordinance. The Planning Commission has provided the Township Board with bullet points regarding the short term rentals ordinance. The Board members were asked to review other townships short term rental ordinances and discuss at the next Board Meeting.
7. Reports:
   1. Financial May 2024 report: Harris: Noted
   2. Zoning: Howell/Schmiege 20 calls a month, 3 applications for new home builds. A demolition permit was presented and will be ready for review at the next Township Meeting in July.
   3. Solid Waste: Harris 25 residents used the Pride Day coupons on May 4th. The cost to the township was $462.00.
   4. CEIC / recent meetings: Anderson: A Restoring Sadony Bayou meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at the White Lake Community Library from 5 to 7 pm. The next CEIC meeting will be June 19, 2024, at 2 pm at the White River Township Hall.
   5. Recycling: Goericke: There will be a meeting this month.
   6. Planning Commission. Lloyd: Wrapping up the draft Master Plan. Townhall meetings will be posted at the Township Hall and the schedule will be placed in the local papers as a press release. The first meeting will be July 11, 2024, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm at the Township Hall.
   7. Ambulance: Anderson. There was an accident involving one of the ambulances. No one was seriously injured. ~~but the chassis will need some repair~~. Millage will stay at 1.75 mills.
   8. Fire Authority: Bailey: The budget was approved. Millage will stay at 1.75 mills. A new Fire Truck is being considered for purchase. The cost for a new firetruck is $800,000.00.
   9. Accounts Payable: Sargent/ Goericke (net meter (roof top Solar Power) credit for May

was $17.30). Bills totaling $30,786.10 were presented. Harris moved to approve the

accounts payable of $30,786.10. Anderson supported the motion to pay the bills. Roll call vote; Anderson – yes, Dufresne – yes, Harris – yes, Sargent – yes, Bailey – yes.

Accounts Payable stand approved.

1. Other Business or Correspondence: None
2. Public comment: Limited to 3 minutes each.
   1. Susan Lloyd 6907 N Old Channel Trail. Did the paranormal group do the investigation on June 8, 2024. Yes, 4 people came into the Mouth Cemetery at dusk. It is not known how long they stayed.
   2. Lauren Wackernagel, Old 99, showed the board the coastal magazine that discussed set back and wetlands. It is available at the Township Hall.
   3. Tim Langland, Indian Point Road, asked about junk cars collecting on personal property. Checking with the Road Commission regarding where the ORVs can drive, shoulder or on the street.
   4. Nathan Nagelkirk of N. Old Channel Trail. Expressed concern over not allowing people to use their property as they choose. It was explained that buying a house to short term rent it makes it a business and if the owners are not present the renters can become unruly. We at White River Township want to keep neighborhoods friendly and orderly.
3. Adjournment: Sargent moved to adjourn; Harris supported. All in favor, none opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Patti Sargent*

Patti Sargent, Clerk