

**Colfax Township  
5594 N 192<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Walkerville, MI  
September 5, 2023 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order by David Leonard, Supervisor at 7:00 pm

Roll Call	<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Present</u>
	David Leonard, Supervisor	X
	Shelby Branch, Treasurer	X
	Corinne Norton, Clerk	X
	Brad Norton, Trustee	X
	Stuart Overway, Trustee	X

**Public: 24 attendees**

**Board/Public Meeting**

Motion made by David to accept agenda seconded by Shelby. Vote role/voice carried. Amended agenda - added guest speaker – Fire Chief A. Purdy and removed Grant Writer update. Yes – 5, No – 0

Motion made by Shelby to accept previous month's minutes, seconded by David. Vote role/voice carried Yes – 5 No – 0

Motion made by David to accept Treasurer's Report seconded by Stuart. Vote role/voice carried Yes – 5, No - 0

Motion made by David to accept Invoices seconded by Brad, Shelby, David, Corinne and Stuart. Vote role/voice carried. Yes - 5, No – 0

**New Business:**

A. Purdy, Walkerville Fire Chief – A new fire truck purchased. Meeting with Road Commission to state that Lakeview Dr. needs to be widened for fire trucks to turn around.

Arbre Farms – Dennis, Director of Operations – Waste water smell. Working with EGLE – provided a handout. Cost of clean up \$30,000,000 – work towards a bill to pay for clean up. Working with Great Lakes Energy to be a source of energy.

Sheriff Mast – Provided handout to cover the gun safety issues. Prosecutor J. Bizon covered other issues regarding his job. It was noted that elections have consequences.

Proposal 2 – Joni presented information regarding township vs. county holding the early 9-day voting – purchasing of additional equipment and covering 9 days of election workers. Townships met with the County and decided to hold the 9-day early voting at the Ocean County Building. Each township will need to purchase a drop box, lighting and security camera. The State will reimburse for these items. Motion made by David to order the items needed and seconded by Shelby. Yes – 5, No – 0

School Section Lake Weed Control and Boat Wake Ordinance – Some of the residences have a concern about the weeds and have contacted PLM to look at the weeds. It was suggested the Lake Board get together so all have a say. There could be a weed control assessment. Follow up at October Township meeting.

A concern was brought up regarding waves caused by boats with large motors. David will look into matter.

Approval of legal services, terms and conditions – Motion made by David and seconded by Shelby to approve the legal services of Bauckham and Thall, Attorneys at Law.

**Unfinished Business:**

Cemetery Survey – Cost for surveying 4 corners - \$750 and \$2,500 for 41 lots stacked out plus markers. Six weeks before can survey. Motion by Shelby and seconded by David to have cemetery surveyed. Approved by Brad, Shelby, David, Corinne and Stuart.

Demolition on Old Hall – Received 3 bids. R. Payne lowest bid. Need an asbestos test before hall came come down. J. Urick asked for the old Town Hall sign be saved. Approved by Brad, Shelby, David, Corinne and Stuart. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

It was asked how much received on Fire Trucks - \$15,075 a piece.

It was mentioned to thank Arbre Farms for taking care of Cemetery.

Motion made by Stuart to adjourn meeting seconded by Shelby. Vote role/voice carried. Yes – 5, No – 0

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm

Colfax Township Clerk  
Corinne Norton