

Supervisor Tina Papineau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Dryden Township offices

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Roll Call:	Supervisor-Tina Papineau	present
	Clerk- Kimberly Diefenbach	present
	Treasurer- Susan Lowney	present
	Trustee - Carol English	present
	Trustee – Brian Hazen	present

Legal Counsel: Attorney Tim Denney

Public in attendance: Jim Diefenbach, Justin Evans, Michael Ogg, Norm Smith, Ralph and Linda Starke, Whitney and Jeff Evans, Dick English, Sandy Swientoniowski, Kirk & Jennifer Burmann, Jim Napolitano, Mike Antushevich, Blake Porter, Jackie Blatt, Oltermans, Jim Stevenson and family, Justin Potter and Stephanie, Rod Redwood, and Ben Gagnon.

Public Comment: None

Agenda:

Motion by Diefenbach, seconded by Lowney, to accept the Agenda with the addition of D. Board of Review appointment. Motion carried.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Moved by Lowney, seconded by English, to approve the Special Meeting minutes of December 5, 2023 and the Regular meeting minutes of December 12, 2023. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills: Presented were Vendor and Payroll Summaries for the month of December.

General Fund:	Accounts payable	\$18,311.29
	Gross payroll	<u>\$23,125.53</u>
	Total GF expenses	\$41,436.82
Fire Fund:	Accounts payable	\$5,439.74
	Gross payroll	<u>\$3,811.82</u>
	Total Fire expenses	\$9,251.56
Police Fund:	Accounts payable	\$8,801.38
	Gross Payroll	<u>\$44,737.40</u>
	Total Police Fund expenses	\$53,538.78

Moved by English, seconded by Hazen, to approve the payment of the Accounts payable bills, and payroll as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Lapeer County EMS report for November.

Treasurer's Report: Current totals in funds are as follows: General \$1,786,845.60; Fire \$732,957.23; Police \$561,052.25; Trust and Agency \$9,050.00; Tax \$0.00.

Moved by Hazen, seconded by Diefenbach to accept the Treasurer's Report into the minutes as of December 31, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.

Elected Official/Department Head Updates:

Fire Department Report: Interim Assistant Fire Chief Mike Ogg read the Fire Dept report. It was reported that there were 20 MFR calls and 2 fire calls for the month of December.

December recap:

- 3 firefighters received their keys and pagers after completing their mentoring books.
- 2024 Training schedule has been created.
- Members helped at the Elementary school with the Santa Shop and wrap for a week.
- Meeting room computers were updated and all members now have access to the correct programs.
- Thank you to those that helped with Shop With a Hero.
- 5 High School students received gift cards from a local family and charity.
- The family that the dept. adopted at Christmas came to meet the Firefighters and received Brand new bikes.
- 3 individuals had background checks and physicals done.
- Station 1 had the IAR computer installed and is working properly.
- Andrew Kokx received his MFR license.

Asst. Chief Ogg, again, commended Office Administrator Jackie Blatt for the fantastic job she is doing. The Department thanks Mike Ogg and Jeff Evens for stepping up and taking charge with everything over the past couple of months.

Upcoming events:

- January 10th- Senior Safety Class 6pm
- 13th- Department Christmas Party
- February 11th – Pancake Breakfast

Police Department Report: Chief Peters presented the police report for the month of December, he reported the following,

- Officers responded to a total of 358 calls for service for the month of December.
- Officers conducted a total of 48 traffic stops. Of those traffic stops, 10 citations were issued for traffic violations, 10 traffic crash reports were handled by officers. Of those crashes, all were property damage. Officers arrested 5 drivers for operating while intoxicated.
- The recent Holidays went well. Officers did a nice job handling various calls and keeping the roadways safe.
- Property inspections list is active. If you would like to be added to the list please reach out to the Police department.
- The 2023 Ford 150 patrol unit is nearing completion and will hopefully be on patrol soon.
- Traffic related issues have remained on the low side. Please drive slower on the gravel roads as recent weather patterns have greatly affected the road surfaces.
- New Part time Officer Austin Seybert is now in training with the department and doing very well. He has been a great addition to the department.

- As 2023 has drawn to a close the department handled a total of 3,635 calls for service for the year.

Unfinished business/new business

Purchase of new Police Radar Unit: Motion made by Lowney, seconded by Hazen to purchase a Golden Eagle II Radar unit from Kustom Signals, Inc. at a cost of \$1,978.00. Motion carried.

Assessment Notice Mailing: Motion made by Diefenbach, seconded by English to contract with KCI to print and mail assessment notices at a cost of \$1,738.84. Motion carried.

Board of Review: Motion made by Hazen, seconded by Lowney to accept the resignation of Carl Klayo from the BOR and appoint Joseph Nazione to fill the vacated seat. His term will expire in December. Motion carried.

Fire Chief: Motion made by Lowney, seconded by Hazen to make Jim Stevenson's appointment as Dryden Fire Chief effective immediately. Motion carried.

Public Time: Jim Napolitano commented it was National Police Day and wanted to thank the Dryden Police for a job well done.

Adjournment: Supervisor Papineau adjourned the meeting at 7:26p.m.

Tina Papineau
Dryden Township Supervisor

Kimberly Diefenbach, CMMC
Dryden Township Clerk

**Township of Dryden
4849 Dryden Road
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**Regular Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2024**