

Minutes of the Regular Athens Town Board Meeting Held January 9, 2023 at the Town Hall

Board members present: Dave Henderson, Amy Peterson, Todd Christensen, Chris Olson, Clerk Diane Carpenter, Treasurer Marlys Balfany, and Mike Jungbauer

Guests: Jason Ross, Lyle Reynolds, Eric Pfeifer, Billy Larson, Tom Heinen, Mike Warring, Curt Carpenter

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

M/S Todd Christensen/Chris Olson to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Action items were reviewed. Those remaining were:
Marlys will check on getting a credit card for the township.

Approve Agenda

M/S Amy Peterson/Chris Olson to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Lyle Reynolds gave a county update.

Planning & Zoning

-Mike gave an update on the public hearings for P&Z from December meeting.

M/S Todd Christensen/Chris Olson to approve the plans. Motion passed unanimously.

-A discussion was held about 25122 Lever St. They have a riding arena which is not allowed. Mike is working with them on the issue.

-Mike presented material from Arc Scanning Services.

M/S Todd Christensen/Amy Peterson to approve up to 16,000 to have the scanning done. Motion passed unanimously.

-Mike again brought up the issue of codification.

M/S Chris Olson/Amy Peterson to spend up to 11,000 for codification. Motion passed unanimously.

-Mike is working with Dan on the Website.

-Mike presented the issue of a pay raise. It will be discussed at February's meeting.

-We have had a request for a new cell tower. Mike will explore the options.

-An issue arose concerning our present dog ordinance. Mike will revamp ordinance.

Mike Warring gave a county update.

Roads

-Roads are in good winter condition.

-Lots of snow so far this year.

-A discussion was held about chip sealing versus paving. Chris will send out info.

Fire

-The assistant fire chief retired and was replaced by Zach Lundquist.

Parks

-Amy is working on purchasing a grill for the township.

