

Tilden Township Meeting Minutes  
April 15, 2025

The regular meeting of the Tilden Township Board was held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at the township hall. Supervisor VanLuven called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board members present:** Supervisor: Fred VanLuven, Clerk: Tara Aho, Treasurer: Julie Filbrandt, Trustee: Craig Marietti, Trustee: Gary Thibeault

**Board members absent:** N/A

**Agenda:** Marietti moved/ VanLuven supported/ PASSED; to accept the agenda with the addition of the CBDG Grant – Landbank, as presented.

**Minutes:** Thibeault moved/ Marietti supported/ PASSED; to accept the March 25, 2025, Meeting minutes as presented.

**Special Meeting Minutes:** Marietti moved/ Thibeault supported/ PASSED; to accept the March 27, 2025, Special Meeting minutes as presented.

**Public Comment:** N/A

**Bills:** Thibeault moved/ VanLuven supported/ PASSED; to pay the bills as presented;

- General: 24809-24861 • Fire/Garbage: 1475-1480 • Water: 7142-7166
- Road: 5040 • Tax: Summer; 3046 & Winter; 33-38

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report has been placed on file.

**Communications:** The Board reviewed the Isis Delarye letter from the attorney.

**Supervisor's Comments:** N/A

**Water Business:** Supervisor VanLuven informed The Board that the new booster pump was installed.

**Unfinished Business:** Cindy Dodge (MTA Training) – May 6 & 7, Cindy Dodge will be present for any Board members or deputies for MTA training. Treasurer Filbrandt asked The Board to compile any questions or a list of things they would like to learn more about. Cindy will be available for a phone conference to any Board member that isn't able to attend for the set training dates.

**Unfinished Business Continued:** Silversmith – Supervisor VanLuven and Treasurer Filbrandt spoke with UPEA, who stated that they did not believe the funds would be covered by the grant. Tabled until more information can be gathered.

**National Mine School Property/ RCAP/ Income Survey** – After some discussion, The Board decided to send out an income survey letter to any water residents. These surveys will be distributed with the monthly water bills.

**Habitat for Humanity**– Deanna Johnson presented a proposal packet to The Board for the properties at the old Nation Mine School. Habitat increased their offer from \$5,000/lot to \$8,000/lot, 5 lots total. Trustee Thibeault asked what the requirements were for residents interested in a Habitat Home. Deanna explained that there is a required 250 hours of sweat equity from each adult in the home. Marietti moved/ Filbrandt supported/ PASSED; to accept the Habitat for Humanity proposal for 5 residential lots; by a rollcall vote 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

**CBDG Grant/Landbank** –The Board was presented with information on the CBDG Grant and explained how well it fit in with Habitat for Humanity's proposal for the new residential lots. The Grant needs to be filed by Thursday at midnight. Debboe Pellow offered to assist Clerk Aho with the application process. The grant amount applied for will be \$300,000.

**Website**– Treasurer Filbrandt informed The Board that The Township Website should be going live within the month.

**Board of Review Pay** – The Board changed the Board of Review pay from hourly at the BOR meetings, to a set rate of \$55 per meeting. Aho moved/ Marietti supported/ PASSED; to pay BOR a set rate of \$55 per meeting; by a rollcall vote 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

**New Business:** Communication Preferences – Treasurer Filbrandt inquired with The Board about their preferred form of communication. The Board ultimately chose to use email, but decided to table for now until the next Board Meeting.

**Approval of Adobe** – After some discussion, The Board decided to purchase a contract with Adobe for use on multiple devices to better reflect the needs of Tilden Township office. Aho moved/ Marietti supported/ PASSED; to purchase Adobe services.

**New Business Continued:** Superior Road Rally Request – Dean Rushford presented The Board with a packet containing all the information, maps and costs of the Road Rally that they wish to have within Tilden Township. The race will take place October 17 & 18 2025. Trustee Thibeault asked about insurance coverage and if The Township is liable for any injuries or things related to that matter. Rushford assured The Board that Superior Road Rally has its own insurance that will cover, and The Township would not be liable. The race wishes to utilize Bryan Creek Road, possibly just for a test road. A resident inquired about possible road damage. Rushford explained that County would be responsible for any repair

to the road sustained from the rally race. Marietti moved/ Thibeault supported/ PASSED; to accept the request from Superior Road Rally and allow them to race within Tilden Township.

**Public Comment:** A resident informed The Board that the culvert on Southwood Drive has water rising higher. Supervisor VanLuven stated that due to the grant funds, the new culvert needed to be installed by June 2025. VanLuven believes it should be done soon and will call to inquire a completion date.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 P.M. by Supervisor Fred VanLuven.



Tara Aho, Tilden Township Clerk

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February 18, 2025