

Tilden Township Special Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2025

The special meeting of the Tilden Township Board was held on Friday, March 27, 2025, at the township hall. Supervisor VanLuven called the meeting to order at 1:00 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: Thibeault moved/ Marietti supported/ PASSED; to accept the agenda.

Public Comment: N/A

Unfinished Business: Board Meeting Conduct – Treasurer Filbrandt inquired with The Board about Board Meeting Conduct. Supervisor VanLuven reviewed Board Meeting Conduct with The Board. Filbrandt commented that she would like the public to refrain from any out of turn speaking and wait until the proper time during “public comment”.

Core Responsibilities – Treasurer Filbrandt and Clerk Aho presented The Board with the core responsibilities for the different Elected Officials roles within The Township. Copies of the responsibilities were distributed.

Responsibilities Deputy - Treasurer Filbrandt and Clerk Aho presented The Board with the core responsibilities for the deputies within The Township. Copies of the responsibilities were distributed.

Office Manager Responsibilities - Treasurer Filbrandt and Clerk Aho presented The Board with the core responsibilities for office manager within The Township. Copies of the responsibilities were distributed.

Secretary Fill-In Responsibilities - Treasurer Filbrandt and Clerk Aho presented The Board with the core responsibilities for secretary fill-in within The Township. Copies of the responsibilities were distributed.

Other Township Responsibilities - Grants, FOIA Coordinator, Water/Utility – Clerk Aho volunteered to be the FOIA Coordinator, as well as handle any future grants for The Township. Treasurer Filbrandt stated that she would take care of the USDA Bonds Payments and stated that her Deputy Treasurer will be the backup for water/utility billing (if needed).

New Business: Salary Resolution; Deputies – After much discussion amongst The Board, a motion was made to raise the deputies' wages from \$17.50/hour to \$19.00/hour to bring their wages up to an equal standing with others employed within The Township. Marietti/moved, VanLuven/supported /PASSED upon a roll call vote; 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, Clerk Aho Abstained & Treasurer Filbrandt Abstained; Resolution may be found at the Township Hall upon request.

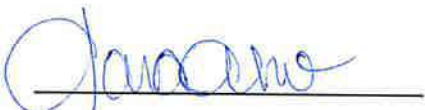
Salary Resolution; Elected Officials – After much discussion amongst The Board, a motion was made to raise The Clerk and The Treasurer's salary to \$15,430.00/year to bring their salary up to an equal standing with other Township Elected Officials. Supervisor VanLuven requested a salary raise of \$100/year. Filbrandt/moved, Thibeault/supported /PASSED upon a roll call vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Nays (Trustee Marietti); Resolution may be found at the Township Hall upon request. Marietti/moved, VanLuven/supported /PASSED upon a roll call vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays; Resolution may be found at the Township Hall upon request.

Salary Resolution; Trustees – After some discussion, both Trustees stated they refuse a rise in salary and remain at the current salary. Marietti/moved, VanLuven/supported /PASSED upon a roll call vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays; Resolution may be found at the Township Hall upon request.

Budget; FY 2025-2026 – The Board reviewed and adjusted the FY 25-26 Budget. A motion was made to enter The Budget Public Hearing & Adoption. Marietti/moved, VanLuven/supported /PASSED to open The Budget Public Hearing & Adoption. A Motion was made to adopt The FY 25-26 Budget. Marietti/moved, VanLuven/supported /PASSED to accept the FY 25-26 amended budget.

Public Comment: Bruce Coron inquired about wages and duties of the deputies. Treasurer Filbrandt and Clerk Aho responded with the responsibilities of the deputies.

Adjournment: Supervisor VanLuven adjourned the special meeting at 4:05PM.



Tara Aho, Tilden Township Clerk