

Geneva Township

Regular Meeting

January 14, 2025

The regular meeting of the Geneva Township Board was called to order at 7 p.m. with all board members present and 8 residents

The meeting minutes from December 10, 2024 approved as read.

The Treasurer's report dated December 31, 2024 will be held for audit with bills paid in the amount of \$106,177.04 and balance in all accounts of \$2593583.50. CD is for 7 months at 5.0 interest.

Van Buren County Sheriff Department - Justin Blankenship gave his report of activity, assists and arrests in township. Justin continues to work on code enforcement as his time allows.

Reports presented and on file:

South Haven Airport - Jonathon Woodhams Absent

South Haven Area Emergency Services - Cody Sedlak

V.B. Senior Services- Clare Olney

BOARD ACTION & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

2025 Poverty Guidelines: Application MCL 211.7U and Geneva Township Poverty Guidelines adopted with motion by Marty Pfaff, seconded by Clare Olney. Motion carried with all five (5) voting yes.

2025-2026 Salary Resolution - Motion by Marty Pfaff, seconded by Clare Olney to adopt the 2025-2026 Salary Resolution for presentation at the Geneva township Annual Meeting, March 28, 2025. Motion carried with 5 yes, 0 no votes.

Junk Yard Permits: Discussion on junk yard permits resulted in a motion by Marty Pfaff, seconded by Patti Brinks, to remove the \$25/charge for junk yard permits at this time. Motion carried.

Road Commission - Mr. Askew -

County Commissioner - Kurt Doroh - County gave Casey Davis agreement for one year for software updates, etc.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Brandie Rainey
Geneva Township Clerk

Resolution to Establish Township Officers Salary

Whereas, Michigan Compiled Law 41.95 authorizes the township board of Geneva Township to determine the salaries for the offices of supervisor, clerk, treasurer and trustee for fiscal year 2025-2026 by adopting a resolution at least 30 days prior to the township annual meeting, and

Whereas, on January 14, 2025 the township board approved March 28, 2025 to hold the township annual meeting, and

Whereas, the township board deems that adjustments in the salaries of these elected township officials is warranted in consideration of the increase in the cost of living and

additional responsibilities undertaken by these officials since township board members' salaries were last adjusted, now

Be it resolved, that as of April 1, 2025, salary of the Township Supervisor shall be: \$19,980.00

Be it further resolved, that as of April 1, 2025, salary of the Township Clerk shall be: \$19,980.00

Be it further resolved that as of April 1, 2025, salary of the Township Treasurer shall be: \$19,980.00

Be it further resolved that as of April 1, 2025, salary of the Township Trustee shall be per meeting: \$350.00

Be it further resolved that as of April 1, 2025, salary for Deputies - Supervisor - Clerk - Treasurer will be set at \$350.00 per year.

Be it also resolved, that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the annual meeting to be held on March 28, 2025 at which time the electors may modify these amounts. Pursuant to MCLA 41.95 (7), such modification(s) that may be made by the electors cannot result in a reduction of salary during each official's term of office. In the event that the electors fail to act on this resolution, the officer shall be entitled to the salaries as established in this resolution, in accordance with state law.

Moved by board member Clare Olney

Supported by board member Brandie Rainey

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted:

Yes 5
Nay 0
Absent 0

The supervisor declared the resolution adopted January 14, 2025

Nancy Ann Whaley
Nancy Ann Whaley, Supervisor

Increase - \$3852.00 per year to \$19,980.00 or \$321/month.
Trustee \$ increase \$40/per meeting.
Deputies - salary set with this resolution