

## Geneva Township

### Regular Meeting

September 10, 2024

The regular meeting of the Geneva Township Board was called to order at 7 p.m. with all board members present, and 11 residents

The meeting minutes from August 13, 2024 approved as read.

The Treasurer's report dated August 31, 2024 will be held for audit with bills paid in the amount of \$40,089.16 and balance in all accounts of \$2,701,456.78.

**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

South Haven Area Emergency Services

V.B. Senior Services- Clare Olney

#### BOARD ACTION & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

**Transfer Station Update** - Free Dump Days for 2024 are September 14 and 21st - Geneva township residents only with advertisements in papers, on line, etc. In 2025 Geneva will go back to 1 free day in May and 1 in September.

**Mechanical Inspector** - Walter DeVisser is retiring October 31, 2024. Tabled motion to appoint replacement until October meeting with request to Walter DeVisser and his son to attend the October 8 board meeting with certifications.

**Ordinance #38 - Consumers Energy Company:** - Motion by Marty Pfaff, seconded by Deb Diekema to adopt Ordinance 38 amendment for Consumers Energy Company effective September 10, 2024 with expiration of August 10, 2054. Motion carried with all voting yes. Ordinance attached to these minutes.

**Road Commission** - Bret Witkowski and Mr. Askew - Updated all on happenings at Road Commission, review of road side mowing with all being done by Road Commission. Road side mowing will begin in Geneva September 16th. Employee appreciate day will be October 18 at Lawrence office. Bret reviewed cost of road work and reduced funding from State. Geneva said we would support CR 384 from 66th Street (CR 687 to 60th Street) mill and pave with an estimated \$375,000 in 2025. Road Commission is reviewing this project.

**County Commissioner** - Kurt Doroh - Review of 2023 resident deaths, with 71% being cremated. Defined ages of deaths and other statistics. Provided Board of Commissioners activity reports to board for August, 2024 with supporting documents.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Brandie updated election information.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Bill Cossey thanked Geneva and Road Commission for taking care of problems with driveway.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Brandie Rainey  
Geneva Township Clerk

Attachment: Ordinance 38 - Consumers Power Franchise Ordinance  
September 10, 2024 - August 10, 2054.