

CHERRY TOWNSHIP REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2024

The annual reorganizational meeting of the Cherry Township Board of Supervisors was held on January 2, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building. Those present were Mr. David Mishler, Mr. William Smith, Mr. Gary Blausler, and Mrs. Carolyn Yeager.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Mr. Smith as temporary chairman and Carolyn Yeager as temporary secretary. Mr. Blausler seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Mr. Smith as permanent Chairman of the Board. Mr. Blausler seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith made a motion to appoint Mr. Mishler as Vice Chairman of the Board. Mr. Blausler seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Mrs. Yeager as permanent Secretary/Treasurer for 2024, with wages set at \$20.10 an hour. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to affirm Mr. Smith as Road Master and to recommend, to the auditors, that Mr. Smith's wages be set at \$25.60 per hour, with an additional \$6.10 per hour to cover health insurance. Total hourly rate will be \$31.70. Mr. Blausler seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Gary Blausler as Co-Road Master for the 2024 calendar year, with a pay rate recommended to the auditors of \$24.35 an hour. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Duane Anderson as Equipment and building and grounds Maintenance Manager for the 2024 calendar year, and to set his wages for 2024 at \$24.35 per hour. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Collin Fanataskey as primary SEO for Cherry Township for 2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried. Mrs. Yeager presented a list of certified SEO's for our County, and there are not many of them available in our area who are still working. Doug Duncan has too large of a work load and will not take us on, and the board is opposed to Colleen Berg coming back as our SEO. There is no one else available to be our backup SEO, so at this point, we will leave that position open.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Treva Simmons and Becky Bremiller as auditors, to work with our elected auditor, Jean Mershimer, when auditing the 2023 Township financial records. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to maintain the treasurer's bond at \$200,000. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Gallagher Law Group as legal counsel for 2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Gateway Engineers as the Township Engineer for 2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Lee Yeager as the Vacancy Board Chairman. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint MDIA, Keith Reiser, as the building code official and inspection services for the Township for 2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to appoint Mrs. Yeager as the Open Records Officer for 2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to maintain First National Bank as the financial institution for the Township's General Fund monies and PLGIT as the financial institution for the Liquid Fuels Fund monies for 2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to set the meeting dates as presented and advertised for 2024. Mr. Blausner seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to adopt the holidays and vacation time for the road crew as presented. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to adopt the fee schedule for 2024, with one change to be noted. Collin Fantaskey's fee will go up from \$750.00 to \$800.00 for a residential application. Mrs. Yeager will make that change. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to maintain the current tax rates for 2024. Mr. Blausner seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to adopt Resolution 24-01, accepting the budget, tax rates, and fee schedules for 2024. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried. The Resolution was signed and sealed.

Mr. Mishler made a motion to set the 2024 mileage rate at \$.63 per mile. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

There were no public comments at this time. Mr. Mishler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Blausner seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.