

Georgette Peterson, Supervisor
Susan Wilson, Clerk
Jill Sanborn, Treasurer

Ron Klein, Trustee
Ted Swanson, Trustee

ARLINGTON TOWNSHIP
VAN BUREN COUNTY, MICHIGAN
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 26, 2025
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Supervisor Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Ted Swanson, Jill Sanborn, Ron Klein, Susan Wilson, Georgette Peterson

New Business

Kim Thompson: Kim presented a request for the Yoder family to be allowed to use the property that has been designated for establishment of an Amish church and cemetery to bury their daughter. The Amish community is in the process of completing the legal steps to establish the property as a church and cemetery. Property owner Benedict Petersheim confirmed his approval to proceed with the burial on his property.

Jill Sanborn moved to approve the request to proceed with the cemetery on Parcel 80-03-032-013-01 at 55434 48th Avenue so that they can proceed with the burial. The property is in the AG District, where per Ordinance no. 2020-02, cemeteries are a principal permitted use. Georgette Peterson seconded the motion. Discussion ensued regarding follow through to complete the cemetery's legal process in a timely manner. Motion Carried unanimously.

Greg Brucks: Greg explained the differences between different types of paving materials and costs per mile for 52nd Street between 40th Avenue and 48th Avenue. Also discussed other township road issues and costs compared to volume of traffic. Pros and cons of gravel roads were discussed and Greg explained about cost of the materials used for dust control and natural run off from rain, and the frequency of grading for potholes.

Jill Sanborn moved to approve the project program sheets as presented by the Van Buren County Road Commission in the total amount of \$167,529.47 which includes the trap rock and fog seal for 52nd Street between 40th Avenue and 48th Avenue. Ron Klein seconded.

Roll Call vote: Susan Wilson - yes, Ron Klein - yes, Jill Sanborn – yes, Ted Swanson – yes, Georgette Peterson – yes. Motion Carried.

Ron Klein moved to adjourn the meeting. Jill Sanborn seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Wilson, Clerk