

Greenwood Township Monthly Meeting

July 1, 2025

Regular meeting of the Greenwood Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by S Bigelow. Board Members in attendance: Shelly Bigelow, Terry Vandercook, Nancy Mohler, Melody Baker, Harold Swinehart

Residents in attendance: Al Mohler, Jim Szabo, Dick Labarre, Jody LaBarre, Jason Nelson, Dave Gladysz, Terry Garbrecht, Jonathon Hallett

Public comments: All comments were related to the care of the cemetery.

Minutes from the June regular meeting were presented. Motion made by T Vandercook supported by M Baker to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills were presented to be paid. Motion made by M Baker supported by H Swinehart to accept the bills as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

T Vandercook received legal representation about the 16 acres of property that the township owns on 27 Road. This property is land locked and too small to build on. The property must sell at a fair market value, which is \$500.00 to \$1000.00. The township must have an attorney prepare the documents.

Legal fees are approximately around \$1000.00. Discussed that the buyer must pay all costs associated with this sale and after sale of the property must join this property to their existing property.

Motion made by M Baker supported by N Mohler to have T Vandercook reach out to the interested property owner explain the board's decision and continue with the sale of the property. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the rental of the township hall. Motion made by T Vandercook supported by M Baker that the Greenwood Township Hall will only be rented to the residents of Greenwood Township and Colfax Greenwood Fire Department Personnel for a fee of \$100.00. \$25.00 returned if the renter follows all contract agreements. All employees of the Greenwood Township Board may use the hall free of charge as part of their benefit package. Motion passed unanimously.

In updating the cemetery records Nancy discovered 2 plots in the cemetery that need attention.

The first issue-we have a cemetery plot that has 2 burials on it. It is deeded to another individual and they were buried without his consent. Jonathon and S Bigelow both have contact information for the plot holder. Motion made by T Vandercook to have N Mohler call the owner of the lot and take care of this situation supported by M Baker. Motion passed unanimously.

The second plot was sold to an individual but, it had already been sold to someone else years before, and it has someone buried on it from the first buyers. Jonathon Hallett and S Bigelow said they would see if they could get contact information on the 2nd buyer of this lot.

Greenwood Township Scenic Overlook-Needs a new flag and light on the pole. This also needs the trees removed. The board also discussed burning at the overlook. Motion made N Mohler supported by H Swinehart to have Krazy Kat Sign make a sign on that says "no open burning". Motion passed unanimously.

The board asked Jonathon Hallett to get a cost for a cover over the generator.

Since postage is going up the board decided to buy 5 rolls of stamps with the credit card. Nancy needs to open a Staples Account to order supplies.

In the election school Nancy attended they said townships should be prepared as all voting machines must be replaced by 2026. The cost is estimated to be \$15000.00. If townships do their own early voting they must have 2 machines.

Vacant Land: Its hard for fire and rescue to find property with no house numbers. It was reported the Board of Commissioners are working on this issue.

N Mohler presented a Profit & Loss Budget Overview for the quarter.

Board of Review Training on July 17, 2025. S Bigelow has 2 people scheduled to attend this training at the township hall.

S Bigelow is calling to check on insurance prices. The township insurance is up for renewal in August.

Cemetery issues: Discussion on putting the plaque on the bell stand at the cemetery. It was also suggested that a box be put at the cemetery for comments and suggestions.

Keri Puffer presented a letter to the board complimenting the service she received at the time of her mothers burial service.

Discussion on leveling foundations. The stone itself is owned by the grave owner. At this time no action will be taken.

Jonathon is on a schedule for when he mows the cemetery. If he sees it needs mowed more often he is to reach out to S Bigelow or N Mohler.

Fire Department: Jason Nelson said there is nothing new to report. It has been very quiet as far as fire runs.

T Vandercook presented the treasurers report. Motion was made by N Mohler supported by M Baker to accept the report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: Comments were on the cemetery not being all weed whipped. Jonathon Hallett said the had not completed the side of the cemetery that had the issues.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Mohler