

Assyria Township Board Minutes  
December 5, 2022

A regular meeting of the Assyria Township Board was held at the Assyria Township Hall, on December 5, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: T. Wing, T. Ryder-Stephens, J. Miller, Z. Haralson and A. Terry

Public Comment:

Bill Bivens from Lacey Road expressed his concern regarding the fence post at the Ellis Cemetery.

Motion by T. Wing supported by, J. Miller to approve the Agenda.

All members vote yes.

County Commissioner:

Approved an agreement for Economic Development Services between Barry County and the Barry County Chamber and Economic Development Alliance, for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Approved an agreement for drug testing service with First Step Testing Services, LLC and authorized the chairman to sign.

Awarded the 2022-2023 snow removal contract to JK Rose Construction LLC.

The Commission also gave approval to apply for a Police Academy grant through MCOLES for two law enforcement deputies.

The National Opioid Settlement funds were designated for the Substance Abuse Task Force to use.

The Commission approved a memorandum of understanding with Easton County for the 2023 EGLE scrap tire grant.

Resolution #22-15 was approved which renews the agreement with Barry County United Way for veteran services.

A resolution to issue economic impact payments to Barry County employees was passed. These funds will come from ARPA funds.

Farmland and Open Space Preservation, better known as PA-116S were granted to Mr. and Mrs. Shane Jones Section 35 in Barry Township and Nicholas Reigler, Section 2 of Irving Township.

Cheryl Overtire will be retiring from the Barry County Trial Court Wrap-Around Coordinator after 29 years of service.

The Commissioner would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays.

Ross Sprague of Walker, Fluke & Sheldon, PLC presented the Township's audit report. The Township received the highest rating.

Motion made by T. Wing, supported by J. Miller to approve the Audit Report.  
All members voted yes.

Clerk:

Motion made by A. Terry, supported by T. Wing to approve the minutes.  
All members voted yes.

Discussion in regard to obtaining an Attorney.

Motion made by A. Terry, supported by T. Wing the obtain Bauckham, Thall, Seeber, Kaufman & Koches P.C. as the Township's Attorney.  
All members voted yes.

Motion made by A. Terry, supported by T. Ryder-Stephens to revise the budget as follows:

To move \$1,000.00 from account 101-802 to account 101-801.  
To move \$175.00 from account 101-909 to account 101-915.  
To move \$500.00 from account 228-955 to account 228-804.  
To move \$1,000.00 from account 265-974 to account 804-005.  
To move \$4,000.00 from account 000-011 to account 804-032.  
To move \$2,210.00 from 101-955 to account 262-704.

All members voted yes.

Treasurer:

Motion made by T. Wing, supported by T. Ryder-Stephens to pay the bills.  
All members voted yes.

Tax bills were mailed December 1, 2022.

Discussion about the new web site.

Motion made by T. Wing, supported by T. Ryder-Stephens to approve the contract for the new website with a new address of: [assyriatwpmi.gov](http://assyriatwpmi.gov).  
All members voted yes.

The Treasurer will be looking into a credit card for the township.

Trustee: J. Miller: Tried to contact the County in regard to internet possibilities to no avail.

Trustee: Z. Haralson: None

Supervisor:

Road Commission & Fireboard discussion.

Also, more discussion regarding the issues on Lacey road.

Motion made by Z. Haralson, supported by T. Ryder-Stephens to adjourn the meeting.  
All members vote yes.

Adjournment 8:28 pm

11/30/2022	11087	Rian Carl	Cleaning	-55.00
11/30/2022	11088	Terry Ryder Stephens	Reimbursement	-900.97
11/30/2022	11089	Barry County Telephone	Telephone/Internet	-164.37
11/30/2022	11090	Consumers Energy	Electric	-78.58
11/30/2022	11091	Sally Bivens	Election	-281.25
11/30/2022	11092	Heidi M. Bartha	Election	-262.50
11/30/2022	11093	Marilyn Higgins	Election	-262.50
11/30/2022	11094	Susan Elkins	Election	-262.50
11/30/2022	11095	Edward Bartha	Election	-255.50
11/30/2022	11096	Nicole Ryder Stephens	Election	-255.50
11/30/2022	11097	Glenda Acker	Election & Reimbursement	-366.54
11/30/2022	11098	Annette Terry	Salary	-746.78
11/30/2022	11099	James D Miller	Salary	-107.85
11/30/2022	11100	Roger L Smith	Salary	-1,082.55
11/30/2022	11101	Stacy L Shumate	Salary	-98.66
11/30/2022	11102	Terry Ryder-Stephens	Salary	-862.57
11/30/2022	11103	Thomas J Wing	Salary	-582.35
11/30/2022	11104	Zachary Haralson	Salary	-107.85
11/30/2022	11105	Steven Parr	Election Training	-55.50
11/30/2022	11106	John Rabbitt	Election Training	-55.50
11/30/2022	11107	GDH & Sons LLC	Salary	-1,550.00
11/30/2022	11108	GDH & Sons LLC	Trash cans for Assyria Cemetery	-40.00
11/30/2022	11109	GDH & Sons LLC	Charles Lashley burial	-500.00
11/30/2022	11110	Accident Fund	Insurance	-764.00