**Unapproved Minutes**

**MORTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

**Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 9:00 AM Morton Township Hall, 290 West Main Street, Mecosta MI 49332**

**Call to Order/Pledge at 9:00 am by Supervisor Mark Klumpp Roll Call: Jeff Ratledge, Maureen Wolfe, Mark Klumpp, Jeff Ratledge, and Yo Bellingar were present.**

**Clerk Camie Courtright absent.**

**Six public citizens were present.**

**Public Comments: Ken Lind was here to make sure every Board Member received a packet with the information about the renewal of our liability insurance.**

**Reports:**

1. Joe Lisuzzo, Recreation Committee: No report.
2. Seth Lattimore, Assessor: No report.
3. Cory Zandstra, Building and Zoning: No report.
4. Allen Sutherby, Fire Chief: 60 calls for November, updated fire/rescue dept happenings. Chief discussed the sale of the old fire chassis.
5. Joe Lanz, Fire Administrative Committee: No report.

**New Business:**

Discussion about the Supervisor’s annual Township “Year in review” document.

Discussion about the hiring of a new full-time Fire-Rescue person.

Discussion about the Spongy Moth report.

Mecosta County Road Commission road report.

**Unfinished Business:**

Fire Dept Staffing – discussion. How to compensate the Chief for responding to after-hours calls.

Discussion about Recycle Staff and plowing the whole recycling area.

Discussion about the Master Plan bids. The bids will be opened at the P/C Meeting.

Discussion about the noncompliant produce stand.

**Reports:**

1. Maureen Wolfe, Treasurer: diaper changing station in one of the bathrooms. 2025 Summer tax collection.
2. Jeff Ratledge, Trustee: No November Planning Commission Meeting and the December Meeting is upcoming on December 20th @ 5:30 pm.

**Public Comments:** Eric Smith spoke about an ongoing problem with a neighbor’s smoke. He expressed his frustration with the situation.

**Adjourn: 10:28 am Respectfully submitted,**

**Diane Williamson Morton Township Deputy Clerk**