## DECEMBER 2023 MINUTES MCLEANSBORO TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

The December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Township Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Clydus Gray. The meeting was held at the McLeansboro Township building.

There were no public comments.

#### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Minutes from the November 2023 Board meeting were read by the Clerk. As those minutes required no corrections, a motion to approve them as written, was made by Becky Cross and seconded by Bob Brockett. Motion carried.

#### Old Business:

- The third installment of the Township's portion of real estate taxes paid has been received and deposited. This payment amounted to \$19,776.96 bringing total receipts to \$415,149.83. While there may be one additional payment, this total represents the majority of funds that will be received.

#### New Business:

- Based on the Truth-In-Taxation hearing held immediately prior to this meeting, Supervisor Gray presented, to the Board for review, the proposed 2023-2024 tax levies. The levy for the Township, Ordinance 2023-5, amounted to \$355,591.01. The levy for the Road District, Ordinance 2023-6, totaled \$199,130.50. The total levy for both entities amounts to

\$554,721.53, an increase of 27.91% over last year's extended levy. After discussion, a motion to approve both levies was made by Kyle Ingram and seconded by Bob Brockett. Motion carried.

#### Miscellaneous:

For future reference, Supervisor Gray stated that, beginning January 1, 2024, all employers (including Townships) must provide every employee up to 40 hours, or five days annually, of paid leave each year. The leave is calculated as 1 hour earned for each 40 hours worked. In addition, an employee may carry over up to 40 hours of paid leave into the next calendar year. It should be noted that paid leave may be taken without documentation. However, employers may establish policies relating to such things as prior notification requirements for other than unforeseen circumstances.

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## **Monthly Claims**

- Road and Bridge Fund, Building and Equipment Fund and Permanent Road Fund claims were provided for review. Motion by Bob Brockett and seconded by Dennis Johnson to pay those bills. Motion carried.
- Town Fund and Social Security Fund claims were also presented to the Board. Motion by Becky Cross and seconded by Kyle Ingram to pay those bills. Motion carried.

There being no further business to conduct, motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Johnson and seconded by Bob Brockett. Motion Carried.

Richard Woods Township Clerk