

**GIRARD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
May 13, 2025**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Lindy Platz at 7:00 PM.

Present: Supervisors Lindy Platz, Clay Brocious, Zoning Administrator Tiffany Kramer, Michael Stafford, Jim Mattson, Wilbur Nass, Sandy Anderson, Dennis Olesnanik, Ray Penkalski, and Kim Gilmore

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Wilbur Nass stated that he did not feel the fire tax distribution should be split equally between the three fire departments.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA WHICH INCLUDES:

The **TREASURER'S REPORT** dated 04/30/25;
The **MEETING MINUTES** from 04/22/25;
The **INVOICES** from 04/23/25 through 05/13/25;
The **PAYROLL** ending 05/10/25.

Motion by C. Brocious, seconded by L. Platz to approve the Consent Agenda, motion carried (2-0).

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES/AGREEMENTS-None

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

At their meeting on 05/05/25, the Planning Commission gave a favorable recommendation on the Pugh subdivision at 8991 Ridge Road. Although it does not meet the 4:1 ratio, the subdivision is more conforming to surrounding properties.

CORRESPONDANCE

L. Platz shared a letter from Erie County Council regarding the ARPA money that was received from the County Executive.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by L. Platz, seconded by C. Brocious to approve the final land modification plan for the David Pugh subdivision at 8991 Ridge Road, Parcel #24-012-036.0-009.00 and 24-012.036.0-009.01. Parcel 1-A will become 2.10 acres and Parcel 1-B will become 2.92 acres, motion carried (2-0).

Motion by C. Brocious, seconded by L. Platz to approve the distribution of Fire Tax monies collected from 01/08/25 to 05/07/25. Dobler Hose, Lake City and Platea Fire Departments will each receive \$72,283.60, motion carried (2-0).

Motion by C. Brocious, seconded by L. Platz to approve advertising for sealcoating and paving bids. Motion carried (2-0).

Motion by L. Platz, seconded by C. Brocious to approve advertising for tree trimming/daylighting on Cindy Lane, Smith Street and Bateman Road. Motion carried (2-0).

Motion by C. Brocious, seconded by L. Platz to approve advertising for a new road crew worker. Motion carried (2-0).

COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERVISORS

L. Platz stated that the Supervisors met with the engineers working on the Lake Erie Connector project. They are restarting the process of implementing the project again.

COMMENTS FROM THE STAFF

Tiffany Kramer stated that she received an email from the Bare Root Tree Program. Beginning in June, applications for a grant will be available. This program donates trees for parks owned by non-profits and municipalities.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ray Penkalski asked about getting PennDOT to do a traffic study on Lexington and Cross Station to possibly get a 4-way stop at the intersection. He also expressed his concern regarding potholes on Cross Station Road.

Kim Gilmore also expressed concern about Cross Station Road. She stated that cars have to swerve around potholes, and it creates a safety concern. L. Platz said she will talk to John Adams about possibly putting millings down until we can get it paved.

Wilbur Nass stated his opinion of the Birchdale sewer project. He received a letter from the Water & Sewer Authority's solicitor and would like to be told exactly what the plan is. L. Platz explained that the Water & Sewer Authority is a separate entity, and they are handling the project. She also stated that the DEP is mandating this project, and it is not the township's decision.

David Janas stated that the ditches and storm drains on Reese Drive are clogged. He said that some pipes are broken which is causing flooding. He also asked about the township's property maintenance codes.

Motion by L. Platz, seconded by C. Brocious to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m., motion carried (2-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Lindy Platz
Secretary