

Minutes of REGULAR MEETING

Held June 11, 2025

6:00PM

TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON

Michelle Coultas, Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by Supervisor Hogan.

ROLL CALL

Dennis Hogan, Supervisor

Michelle Coultas, Clerk

Lori Hollis, Treasurer

Justin Church, Trustee

Bill Sickner, Trustee

Others in attendance:

Cynthia Schlaud

Steven Schlaud

Kevin Shaffer

Al Dodson

Nicole Dodson

Dale & Debby DeHaven

Joe Israel

Cheri Priest

Jim Priest

Russell Cossaboom

Derick Coultas

Mike Gildner, Township Attorney

AGENDA: Hollis made a motion, supported by Church, to approve the agenda with changes.

ALL AYES. NAYS: None. **Motion carried.**

MINUTES: Church made a motion, supported by Hollis, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held April 9, 2025, as presented. **ALL AYES. NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

MINUTES: Hollis made a motion, supported by Hogan, to accept the minutes of the special meeting held May 28, 2025, as presented. **ALL AYES. NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report was read and accepted into record.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Fees of the construction code board of appeals: Postponed until next work session meeting.

Spring clean-up: Postponed until July 9, 2025 meeting.

Disc gold at the park: Hogan made a motion, supported by Church, to deny the proposal for the disc golf at the park. **ALL AYES. NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

Security cameras at the park: Hogan made a motion, supported by Hollis, to accept Black Hawk Security's quote for \$2,950.00 for the security cameras at the park. The township was

awarded \$2,500.00 grant from Par Plan. There will be another cost of about \$800.00 for the running of the conduit to be done by the Township. Roll call vote was taken. **AYES:** Hogan, Coultas, Hollis, Church and Sickner. **NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

Dodson LeValley Rd code authority: Much discussion took place about the request of the Dodson's to be released to the Construction Code Authority, due to scheduling conflicts with trying to get inspections done by the townships building department. Church made a motion to release them but didn't receive any support. Coultas is abstaining due to the personal relationship. There will still be discussion on this topic.

Ordinance Wind Energy: Hogan made a motion, supported by Hollis, to approve Wind Energy Ordinance 2025-05 and make the changes to coordinating amendments to Ordinance 200. Roll call vote was taken. **AYES:** Coultas, Hollis, Church, Sickner and Hogan. **NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

Stain walkway and deck payment: Hogan made a motion, supported by Hollis, to pay Tristan and Austin an additional \$50.00 each for the staining. Roll call vote was taken. **AYES:** Hollis, Sickner, Hogan and Coultas. **NAYS:** Church. **Motion carried.**

Application for park employee: Hollis made a motion, supported by Hogan, to approve the application from Tristan Miller for the park employee for 3 hours each on Saturday and Sunday for \$14.00 per hour. Roll call vote was taken. **AYES:** Church, Sickner, Hogan, Coultas and Hollis. **NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

FOIA class: Hollis made a motion, supported by Hogan, to approve Coultas and Sara Hollis to take the FOIA class at Oregon Township Hall for \$205.00 each. Roll call vote was taken. **AYES:** Sickner, Hogan, Coultas, Hollis and Church. **NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

Grant writing class Hollis: Hogan made a motion, supported by Church, for Hollis to attend the grant writing class July 31-August 1, 2025 for \$495.00. Roll call vote was taken. **AYES:** Hogan, Coultas, Hollis, Church and Sickner. **NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

Approval of new Planning Commission and ZBA members: Hogan made a motion, supported by Hollis, to approve Russ Cossaboom as the new PC member and Derick Coultas as the new ZBA member. **ALL AYES. NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

Street lights proposal: Discussion took place about getting a proposal for street lights at Columbiaville Rd & Washburn Rd and Washburn Rd. & Hollenbeck Rd. The cost could be split between 3 entities, Forest Township, Road Commission and Marathon Township (us). Consumers Energy would be doing the installation for \$230.00 per light.

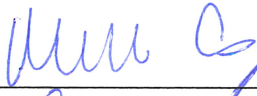
APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS

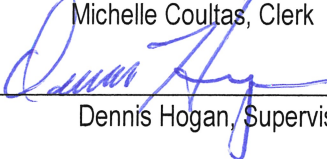
Hollis made a motion, supported by Hogan, to approve warrants 10933 - 11014 in the amount of \$299,982.01 (including direct deposits from payroll checks) from General Fund. **AYES:** Coultas, Hollis, Church, Sickner and Hogan. **NAYS:** None. **Motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

Public Comment – citizens comments: Concerns regarding LeValley Rd detour from Columbiaville Rd. Discussion also took place about paving Marathon Rd between Barnes Lake Rd. and Howell Rd.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm by Supervisor Hogan.

Submitted by 
Michelle Coultas, Clerk

Approved by 
Dennis Hogan, Supervisor

Date 7-10-25