ORLEANS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

**April 22, 2025**

Orleans Township Hall

7:00 p.m.

Township Supervisor Clare Colwell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation.

**Members present:** Barb Colwell, Al Almy, Tonda Rich and Clare Colwell

**Members absent:** Melissa Harper

**Others present:** Kay Conklin, Karie Clark, Ron Hill, Deputy Ortiz, Bob Terill and Mark Rich

**Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Rich, supported by B. Colwell to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of March 25, 2025 meeting minutes
2. Approval of bills and financial statements
3. Amend Budget
4. Approval of Sewer Disbursements for March 2025

Moved by Almy, supported by Rich, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Reports**

1. **Police** – Deputy Sheriff Ortiz presented a monthly report for March stating there were 22 calls for Orleans Township. (The report is on file in the Orleans Township Clerk’s Office).
2. **Fire Department** – Chief Ron Hill stated there were 27 runs in March 2025. There was no written report.
3. **Assessor Report** – No report
4. **Long Lake Improvement Board** – No report
5. **Roads** – No report
6. **Permit Officer** – Al Almy presented the Board with a Permit Activity Report for March 25 – April 2025. (The report is on file in the Orleans Township Clerk’s Office). Almy announced and welcomed Mark Rich as the Deputy Permit Officer.
7. **Treasurer/Sewer** – B. Colwell briefly discussed the new budget for FY26. Colwell further stated that each member has a copy of the Professional Services Agreement from Infrastructure Alternatives, Inc. and that the Board would have to approve this agreement that went into effect April 1, 2025 and will expire on March 31, 2030. Infrastructure Alternatives provides operations and maintenance for the wastewater systems in the township. Moved by Rich, supported by Almy, to approve the 5-year agreement with Infrastructure Alternatives, Inc., for wastewater system operation and maintenance. Motion carried by voice vote.
8. **Cemetery** – No report

**New Business**

1. Supervisor Colwell briefly discussed the proposed FY26 budget for the township, with the budget reflecting a slight increase in each line item. Colwell further noted that the new fire department special assessment, Dept. 336 Fire Department, was added to the budget. Rich questioned Dept. 191 – Accounting Department. B. Colwell explained that these line items were for elections. Rich requested that the name be changed to “Elections” rather than “Accounting Department.” Moved by B. Colwell, supported by Rich, to approve the FY26 Township Budget as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.

Having no further business, Supervisor Colwell adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Date: April 22, 2025

 Tonda Rich, Orleans Township Trustee

***The next Orleans Township Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.***