

The regular monthly meeting of the Fox Township Board of Supervisors was held August 6, 2025, at 6:00 PM. Those present: Dave Mattiuz, Matt Pontzer, and Randy Gradizzi, supervisors, Kathy Dowie, secretary-treasurer, Rob Singer, Jim Nissel, and Marilyn Secco, newspaper reporter.

Chairman Mattiuz called the meeting to order and began by acknowledging the visitors, however, there were no visitor comments.

A motion was made by Matt Pontzer, seconded by Randy Gradizzi to approve the minutes from the regular monthly meeting of July 2, 2025 and the special meeting of July 14, 2025. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Matt Pontzer, seconded by Dave Mattiuz, to adopt Ordinance 2025-07, an ordinance repealing previous non-uniform pension ordinances and adopting a new pension plan document. Motion carried.

The next item of discussion was the camera and lock system for the Community Building. An updated price quote was obtained from 814 Emergency Upfitters in the amount of \$9,340.46 to replace the camera system and install a new key fob entry system. Dave Mattiuz stated that currently there are a number of people using the community building without paying for membership, while a handful of people are paying. He doesn't feel that this is a fair policy and suggested that a timed locked system be installed so that the building could be open to anyone during certain hours of the day and suggested a time frame of 6 AM to 9 PM. A price for a lock system that would allow this was obtained at a cost of \$682. That does not include installation. Dave had Kathy Dowie print a report on how much money was generated from fitness center memberships and it showed only \$600 +/- annually was being taken in. This was not enough to make it worth investing over \$9,000 in a new system, in his opinion. Matt Pontzer agreed, stating that the money could be used for the much-needed repairs to the building such as the restrooms. Randy Gradizzi had many concerns with this proposal, stating that it would allow anybody to be in there without any controls. A motion was made by Dave Mattiuz, seconded by Matt Pontzer to purchase and install a timed lock for the Community Building. Motion carried with Mattiuz and Pontzer in favor of the motion. Randy Gradizzi opposed the motion. In discussion of the camera system, Rob Singer stated that the monitors for the current system are not working. Kathy Dowie stated that if it is just a monitor issue, that is an easy fix. She will look at the system and see what is needed to get them back in operation.

Discussion and awarding of History and Humanities Center project bid contingent upon execution of a Change Order acceptable to the Fox Township. Bids were as follows: Allison & Associates \$1,990,122.12 and Bucktail Excavators \$2,888,851.00. A motion was made by Dave Mattiuz, seconded by Matt Pontzer, to award the bid to Allison and Associates contingent upon the execution of a Change Order acceptable to Fox Township. Motion carried. Marilyn Secco asked what the Change Order entailed. Dave Mattiuz responded that that is still being decided, but some of the options are deleting the basement from the project and changing some of the finishes. The goal is to bring the project in line with the grant funding. Once the contractor and engineer have determined how the proposed changes will affect the final cost, the Board will decide on how to proceed.

A motion was made by Matt Pontzer, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to approve a request to have a "Watch Children" sign placed on Oak Street. Motion carried.

The following bills were submitted for approval for payment:

From the General Fund, check#30243 thru check#30304 in the amount of \$67,331.15

From the Landfill Fund, check#2356 thru check#2365 in the amount of \$133,025.59

From the Toby Water account, check #1670 thru check #1681 in the amount of \$18,203.05

From the MPCF Grant Fund, check #1026 thru check #1027 in the amount of \$15,718.55

From the State Fund, check #3238 in the amount of \$118,955.00

From the Fire Protection Fund, check #1708 in the amount of \$1,553.43

For a TOTAL of \$354,786.77

A motion was made by Matt Pontzer, seconded by Dave Mattiuz to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried with Pontzer and Mattiuz in favor. Randy Gradizzi was in favor of the motion but abstained from check #30246, #30295 and check #1678 to St. Marys Water, as he sits on the Board.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Randy Gradizzi, seconded by Dave Mattiuz, to adjourn this meeting at 6:21 PM. Motion carried.

The next monthly meeting will be held on September 3, 2025 at 6 PM at the Municipal Building.