Village of Breckenridge / Wheeler Township Board Joint Meeting March 4, 2025

A joint meeting of the Breckenridge Village Council and the Wheeler Township Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Seeley and Supervisor Jenkins at the Wheeler Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Village Roll Call was taken

Councilpersons Present: Clapp, Wingle, Burt, Baldwin, Seeley. Absent: Matthews Staff Present: Clerk McPherson, Manager Ostrander

Township Roll Call was taken

Members Present: Treasurer Cooper, Supervisor Jenkins, Clerk Bushre, Trustee Anderson, Trustee Humm Absent: None.

Guest Present: Isaac Humm, Fire-Rescue board member at large

A. Assessing Update

J. Rohde report that the 2025 assessment notices have been mailed. Board or Review will be Mach 10th and 11th. Assessor Rohde will be retiring at the end of March. Township Board has put out a request for application to hire a new assessor.

B. Village to City Process

- **a.** President Seeley shared that the Village is not actively pursuing the change from Village to City at this time.
- b.

C. County Blight Ordinance – 7039 E. Monroe Road.

a. The county blight enforcement is handling the notifications of blight on the old BP building. Jenkins reported that there is an offer in progress for a purchase of the property.

D. Township Road Millage

- **a.** Arnold Road Paving -Discussed. Will be getting paved this summer from the Village limits to Jackson Rd.
- b. Other upcoming road projects Twp will be doing 8 to 9 miles of gravel resurfacing. Along with 3 applications of brining. 2026 will be doing the final mile of County Line Road to Meridian. This will be a joint with Midland County/Gratiot County/Porter Twp/Wheeler Twp. Barry Road from M-46 to Washington Road will be getting resurfaced this year. M-46 from St. Louis to Saginaw County will be getting resurfaced.

E. Sewer Agreement Update

a. Operations are running well. Manager Ostrander discussed the progress and projected final expenses for the maintenance projects that will be completed this year by utilizing ARPA funds county.

F. Intergovernmental Fire/Rescue Agreement

a. Discussion on current Fire/Rescue Agreement. Talked about the procedure and the liability for both Entities when borrowing funds to complete the new fire hall building project. Motion was made to have the agreement looked at by an Attorney. And supported. Passed by both boards.

G. Fire Rescue Budget Introduction

- **a.** 2025-2026 Draft budget will have at a later date.
- **b.** 2025-2026 FD Pay scale discussed and will remain the same.
- **c.** Fire Hall Drawings looked at
- **d.** Approved Construction Bid reviewed.
- e. Financial Recap discussed.

Public Comments - None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:22 pm