

**DALLAS TOWNSHIP**  
**Minutes of the Budget Hearing & Regular Monthly Board Meeting**  
**April 2, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Members Present:	Arens, Gerry Feldpausch, Vern	Koenigsknecht, Therese Schafer, Phil	Schafer, Stephanie
Guests:	Farley, Kathy (Township Citizen) Ferguson, Rex (Essex Township) Forrestor, Kyle (C.C. Sheriff's Office)	Morrison, Sarah (Briggs Library) Neese, Kate (CC Dept. of Waste Mngt.) Pohl, Dave (County Commissioner)	

Call to Order: The Public Hearing meeting for the 2013-14 Budget was called to order by Supervisor Feldpausch at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING 2013-14**

Supervisor Feldpausch stated the Board is present to discuss the 2013-14 Budgets for the Dallas Township General & Fire Department operating funds.

T. Koenigsknecht also noted to Board members that the updated Revenue & Expenditure reports for month ending 3-31-13 have the budget amendments as suggested by our auditors. The budget amendments were made with the motions and discussions from the 3-26-13 last meeting. T. Koenigsknecht pointed out the increased amounts in the General Fund under Elections, Attorney/Audit, and Health & Welfare and decrease in the Contingency line item. She also stated the auditors suggested if the township sees if we are going to go over budget in a certain line item, the Board should amend the budget at the earliest possible meeting.

Approval/Adoption of 2013-14 Budget: After further review of both the General Fund & Fire Dept. Fund Budgets by Board members, no further changes were made to the budgets. ***A motion was made by P. Schafer, supported by G. Arens to adopt the 2013-14 General Fund Operating Budget as amended. Motion carried. A motion was also made by G. Arens, supported by P. Schafer to approve the 2013-14 Fire Department Operating Budget. Motion carried.***

Close Public Hearing/Open Regular Monthly Meeting: ***A motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by T. Koenigsknecht to close the Public Budget Hearing and open the Regular Monthly meeting. Motion carried.*** V. Feldpausch then called the regular monthly meeting to order @ 7:12 p.m.

Recognition of Guests: Listed above.

Minutes of Last Meeting – March 26, 2013: ***A motion was made by G. Arens, supported by S. Schafer to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.***

Additions or Correction to Agenda/Approval of Agenda: T. Koenigsknecht stated the CCOA meeting begins at 7:30 and not 7:00 p.m. ***A motion was made by V. Feldpausch supported by S. Schafer to approve the agenda with the time correction as noted. Motion carried.***

Approval of Bills: ***A motion was made by P. Schafer, supported by G. Arens to approve the payment of the following bills as presented. Motion carried.***

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Expense Description</u>
Burnham & Flower Insurance Group	202.00	Non-Monetary Suit Defense Costs Endorsement (2/4/13 - 6/30/13)
Gerry Arens	700.00	Computer Usage Fee (4/1/13 to 3/31/14)
Consumers Energy	123.26	Electric: \$67.49 Gas: \$168.25 (257 South Main Street)
Consumers Energy	119.00	Electric: \$40.14 Gas: \$88.26 (225 South Main Street)
Fowler Postmaster	541.00	Stamps for Elections: 600 Forever; 400 - 66 cent for ballots; 100 - 1 cent
Therese Koenigsknecht	700.00	Computer Usage Fee (4/1/13 to 3/31/14)
Printing Systems, Inc.	64.23	QVF Single Absentee Voter Applications - 1000 count
John Rademacher	11.30	Mileage for BOR School
Dick Schafer	11.30	Mileage for BOR School
Dale Thelen	11.30	Mileage for BOR School
Village of Fowler	86.07	Water & Sewer - 257 South Main Street
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<b>Total of General Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$2,655.53</b>	

Comlink	110.62	Internet/Cable: \$65.55; Telephone: \$45.07
Lyons Township	450.00	Rescue @ Parks Road, Pewamo, MI 48873
Schmitz Mobil Service	<u>79.24</u>	February Diesel
<b>Total of Fire Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$ 639.86</b>	

Public Comments: Deputy Forrester stated on the south end of this township they found mobile meth lab operation components on Taft and Centerline Road and remnants of marijuana was also found on the other side of Clintonia Road.

Rex Ferguson from Essex Township met with Pete Preston on an unrelated issue, however, asked him if had heard anything about the wind turbines. Mr. Preston told Mr. Ferguson stated they are waiting for the inter-connect agreement and document revisions the Commissioners were asking for. He also spoke about Paine-Gillam-Scott Museum and stated they are celebrating 35 years of service this year.

**REPORTS:**

Fire Dept: S. Goerge was attending the Chief's meeting tonight. FD is donating \$2500 towards an air compressor for the Scot Air packs from the FD Emergency or FD Trust Fund. The cost of the used air compressor is approximately \$4500 and they are purchasing it from a business in Houghton Lake.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht performed the end of the fiscal year payroll; revenue & expenditure report for year ending 3/31/13; revenue & expenditure reports with budget amendments to the General Fund; sent out 298 absentee ballot applications on March 28<sup>th</sup>, attended meeting at CCRC on March 27<sup>th</sup>; worked on 2013-14 budget; and 2013-14 Salary Resolutions.

Treasurer: G. Arens will begin working on the yearend report and will have CD and cash flow chart at next meeting.

Supervisor: Working on budget numbers on what FD needs; working on changes with Jane on website and working on tanker next door and what it will cost to refurbish.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Wind Turbines: V. Feldpausch stated no application(s) have been presented as of tonight's meeting.
2. Dallas Township Website: Jane VanElls contacted V. Feldpausch and stated website is complete, however, there are a few changes that need to be made to it.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Clinton County Dept. of Waste Management: Ms. Neese introduced herself and spoke about ongoing programs offered to Clinton County residents; 4/20/13 Document Destruction Day; 4/20/13 Clean Community Event; spoke about Summer Programs. She also stated that she has an annual Rural Recycling meeting in the summer.

2. Clinton County Road Commission Contracts Chloride/Brush Spraying: V. Feldpausch stated he is waiting for contracts for the chloride, which is not a cost-sharing project and will cost \$31,020 and that is 2 applications and 2 passes; and Parks and Centerline Roads get a different consistency applied. Brush spray is cost-share eligible for \$2015. **V. Feldpausch made a motion, supported by G. Arens to accept the contracts for chloride & spray for brush from the Clinton County Road Commission.**

3. Engineering Consultant Contract: V. Feldpausch stated that our attorney reworded the engineering consultant contract. Township board members questioned page 3 of 5, #10. **A motion was made by G. Arens supported by S. Schafer to accept the consulting contract provided we get clarification on #10 on page 3 of the contract and ZFE approval of the agreement. Motion carried.**

4. Briggs Library – Sarah Morrison: Handed out 2012 Annual Report. Stated in 2012 there were 109,200 visits to the library and stated that on June 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 pm “Paddle Now, Chores Later” will take place.

5. County Commissioner Report: Due to financial constraints of the Animal Shelter building, the size has been reduced; Motz Park project is going forward and they are meeting again to try and acquire the property; County will have to come up with 25% of the cost to purchase this land. Rails-to-Trails Natural Resource Trust money has been acquired and the project will be started in late 2013 and should be finished by September 2014. Clinton County came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in overall health rating and lowest unemployment rate in the state.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:**

***There being no further business, a motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by G. Arens to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried. Due to the School Election on May 7<sup>th</sup>, the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Koenigsknecht, Twp. Clerk

1. April 17<sup>th</sup>, C.C.O.A. @ Dallas Township. 7:30 P.M.
2. April 18<sup>th</sup>, C.A.A.S.A. Board Meeting 7:00 P.M.
3. May 14<sup>th</sup>, Dallas Twp. Board Meeting 7:00 P.M.