

DALLAS TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting
August 9, 2021 @ 2:00 p.m.

Members Feldpausch, Vern Schafer, Ann
Present: Koenigsknecht, Therese

Members Marvel, Elizabeth
Absent: Schafer, Stephanie

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Feldpausch at 2:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: No guests present.

Additions or Correction to Agenda/Approval of Agenda: ***A motion was made by A. Schafer, supported by V. Feldpausch to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.***

Minutes of Meeting – July 12th & July 22nd: ***A motion was made by A. Schafer, supported by V. Feldpausch to approve the minutes from the July 12th monthly board meeting and July 22nd special board meeting. Motion carried.***

Approval of Bills: ***A motion was made by T. Koenigsknecht, supported by A. Schafer to approve the payment of the following bills, General Fund \$2,206.29 and Fire Fund \$2,473.93. Motion carried.***

REPORTS:

Fire Dept: V. Feldpausch stated final inspection on new truck will be the week of October 10th; two additional firefighters waiting to join department; and thermal imaging camera was ruined so a new one has been purchased.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht completed the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant; sent initial response for the CTCL FOIA request; met with Patti Schafer on check reconciliation; and continuing to work with the new Deputy Clerk. Also, there was discussion on the layout of clerk's work area at Twp Hall; will use wood table that is already in the hall.

Treasurer: A. Schafer stated tax collections to date is \$346,223.13 (31%), of the total \$1,113,464.90; busy with normal requests pertaining to buying, selling and refinancing property; continuing to receive requests for name changes on parcels, which only the Assessor can do and continuing to train new Deputy Treasurer.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch stated the new tube on Dexter Trail is finished while another is on hold; and worked on land division.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Wind Turbines: Julie, a Planning Commission member from Howard City, called Twp. clerk to discuss Dallas Township's Zoning Ordinance.
2. Solar Farms: V. Feldpausch stated the Planning Commission is going to meet with our legal counsel to take a look at our current Zoning Ordinance.
3. American Rescue Funding: Clerk disseminated Eligible Funding Amounts for Non-Entitlement Units. *Non-entitlement units of local government (NEUs), defined in section 603(g)(5) of the Social Security Act, as added by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, are local governments typically serving populations of less than 50,000.*

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clinton County Commissioner Report – Commissioner Dave Pohl stated the following:
 - Clinton County Board of Commissioners (BOC), **DID NOT EXTEND THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION BEYOND JULY 31st 2021.** If subsequent data indicates a need to revisit that decision, it will be addressed at that time.

- The 911 Director reported upgrade progress is on schedule; one possible problem, related to the electronic chip shortage, could affect the timeline.
- Lansing Economic Area Partnership (LEAP) provide an explanation of how they could assist the County in administering the ARP funds to help businesses that were significantly impacted by the COVID pandemic.
- Approved the Tri-County Office on Aging 2022 implementation plan, which provides the Meals on Wheels, assistance for seniors seeking vaccinations and numerous other services. Phone number is: 517-887-1440.
- Parks and Greenspace requested approval for a development project at Clinton Lakes Park located on the West side of North Dewitt Rd. There will be some paving and beach development done on the north and east side of Big Clinton Lake.
- Clinton County renewed the contract with Ingham County to provide services to Veterans. Information is available at the Clinton County website or call Barry Walter at 517-488-2033.

2. Zoning Administrator's Report: Board members briefly discussed two zoning compliance permits from Ms. Foster.

3. Township Hall exterior paint bid: V. Feldpausch met with the painter, Keith Kliemola, to discuss the bid to paint the township hall. **A motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by A. Schafer to approve the bid from Mr. Kliemola to not exceed \$2700. Motion carried.**

4. New Auditor for Dallas Township: Clerk contacted Steve Bryer, CPA from the Siegfried Crandall firm, from Portage, MI. He is the auditor for Eagle Twp and highly recommended by them as well as a vendor at MTA Conferences. He stated that they have been matching Maner Costerisan's audit prices and he will be sending the clerk a formal letter with that information. **A motion was made by V. Feldpausch supported by A. Schafer to approve Steve Bryer, CPA from Siegfried Crandall as the Dallas Township auditing firm. Motion carried.**

Public Comments:

No public comment.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

There being no further business, a motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by A. Schafer to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Therese Koenigsnecht, Dallas Township Clerk

Upcoming Events:

- August 19, 2021 C.A.A.S.A. Board Meeting**
- September 13, 2021 Twp Board Meeting 2:00 pm**
- September 13, 2021 Dallas Twp Planning Commission Meeting 8:00 pm**