

**DALLAS TOWNSHIP**  
**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting**  
**December 3, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.**

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

Absent:           Arens, Gerry                         Schafer, Stephanie

Guests:           Farley, Kathy – Dallas Township resident  
Farley, Ken – Dallas Township resident  
Pohl, Dave – Clinton County Commissioner

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Feldpausch at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: Supervisor Feldpausch also recognized the guests listed above.

Minutes of Meeting – November 5, 2013: The board reviewed the meeting minutes. **A motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by P. Schafer to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2013 monthly board meeting. Motion carried.**

Additions or Correction to Agenda/Approval of Agenda: T. Koenigsknecht asked to add rescue bill/bankruptcy letter, Dept. of Treasury assessor letter and sale of vacant lot. **A motion was made by P. Schafer, supported by V. Feldpausch to approve the agenda as presented with the 3 additional items. Motion carried.**

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

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Expense Description</u>
Clinton County Assessors Association	100.00	Membership Dues
Clinton County Road Commission	17987.62	Gravel & Spot Gravel of various roads
Consumers Energy	70.00	225 South Main Street - Electric: \$42.10 Gas: \$28.42
Fahey, Schultz, Burzych, Rhodes, PLC	4250.00	Prof. services (wind turbines) through 10-31-2013
Fahey, Schultz, Burzych, Rhodes, PLC	2441.78	Prof. services (wind turbines) through 11-26-2013
Fowler Postmaster	552.00	1200 Forever stamps for Assessor
Fowler Postmaster	370.00	800 Forever stamps & 100 1-cent stamps for Clerk/Elections
Gerry Arens	457.50	900 Forever stamps/HP Ink Cartridge & Add'l Postage for Taxes
Jet Speed Printing	234.60	Printing & folding of newsletter/taxes, Perforated Paper
John Hancock	1242.50	Quarterly Contribution December 31, 2013
Michigan Township Association	582.00	Conference Registration for Clerk & Trustee S. Schafer
Staples Advantage	<u>107.96</u>	Case of Paper (Assessor \$37.99) & Toner Cartridge for Twp. Hall (69.97)
<b>Total of General Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$ 28,395.96</b>	
Consumers Energy	178.00	257 S. Main Street - Electric: \$78.69 Gas: \$32.24
Fowler Postmaster	46.00	100 Forever Stamps for FD Billing Clerk
Staples Advantage	125.38	Supplies for FD Sec'y/Treasurer
Schmitz Service	<u>189.94</u>	Diesel for November
<b>Total of Fire Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$ 539.32</b>	

Public Comments:

Ken Farley asked Commissioner Pohl about pheasant hunting or such privileges in the new property purchased across from Motz Park. Commissioner Pohl wasn't certain about that but thinks because funding came partially from the Trust Fund it may change certain rules.

**REPORTS:**

Fire Dept: V. Feldpausch stated Chief K-13 was attending the Chief's meeting. Another trucking company denied any involvement on dealing with the chassis and fire department has had several fire runs during the month of November.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht stated she completed the fire department yearly payroll; attended training in early November; continuing to train new deputy on 3 programs as well as Qualified Voter file; and compiling data for December year end payroll.

Treasurer: Absent.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch worked with an individual on a non-conforming land division; dealing with individual who wants to purchase vacant township lot; worked on winter newsletter & dealing on the truck for a new tanker chassis. He also reported that the FD did not apply for the grant from the Par Plan due to the excessive price of the gator but have applied for a FEMA grant for extrication equipment.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Wind Turbines: Bill Fahey has sent emails to the Dallas Township Board that he has forwarded an appeal to the Court of Appeals. Also, Attorney McGraw is no longer with the township due to Judge Tahvonon's recent decision and the insurance carrier made that call to discontinue with his service.

2. Township Hall Rental Policy: T. Koenigsknecht continues forwarding the Board sample rental policies and will work on writing a rental agreement using various agreements that she has obtained from other townships and/or municipalities.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. County Commissioner Report: The County acquired Searles property across the road from Motz Park; spoke about Adoption Day last week at the Courthouse; Rails to Trail is on track for bids next spring; Animal Shelter has an open house this Thursday from 3 – 6 pm; yearend budget looks positive; and the mobile home park situation in Eagle has been resolved.

2. Rescue Bill from 1-25-13: T. Koenigsknecht stated that the fire department billing clerk delivered a letter to the Clerk which she received from the United States Bankruptcy Court. Fowler Rescue treated this patient on 1-26-13, however, the patient has since gone into bankruptcy and cannot pay the rescue bill. T. Koenigsknecht will check to see if this was a Bengal Township rescue and report to the Board at the January meeting.

3. Dept. of Treasury – Assessor Letter: T. Koenigsknecht stated she received a letter from the Dept. of Treasury regarding a recently conducted audit of Assessing requirements. All assessors in Clinton County received areas that will need to be corrected.

4. Sale of Vacant Lot: An individual is interested in purchasing the vacant lot owned by the township on the west edge of town. She would like to build an assisted-living home. ***V. Feldpausch made the motion to sell the vacant lot for no less than \$52,000 as long as Treasurer Arens and Trustee S. Schafer, who are absent, agree on that selling price. P. Schafer supported that motion. Motion carried.***

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:**

***There being no further business, a motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by T. Koenigsknecht to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried.*** The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 7, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Therese Koenigsknecht, Twp. Clerk

**Upcoming Events:**

**December 19, 2013 C.A.A.S.A. Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.**  
**January 7, 2014 Dallas Township Board Meeting**