

DALLAS TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting
June 5, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.

Members Feldpausch, Vern Marvel, Elizabeth Schafer, Stephanie
Present: Koenigsknecht, Therese Schafer, Ann

Members
Absent:

Guests : Hufnagel, Bill – Dallas Township resident
 Johnson, Jon – Burnham & Flower Insurance Group rep

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: Listed above.

Minutes of Meeting – May 8th: **A motion was made E. Marvel, supported by V. Feldpausch to approve the minutes from the May 8th monthly board meeting. Motion carried.**

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

Approval of Bills: **A motion was made by E. Marvel, supported by S. Schafer to approve the payment of the following bills; General Fund \$9,651.39 and Fire Fund \$14,117.79. Motion carried.**

REPORTS:

Fire Dept: V. Feldpausch stated there were twenty-four (24) runs since 4/1/18 with many fires; nine were mutual aid; currently working with City of St. Johns FD on auto aid from all directions; and most equipment that was ordered has been delivered.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht has been working with Patti Schafer preparing for audit; attended QVF Refresh Certification Training in Gd. Rapids; worked on updates to township web page with Jane V.; and sent out 338 absent ballot applications.

Treasurer: A. Schafer stated that the new year tax database is set; S. Schafer attended County Treasurer meeting; and preparing for audit.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch has been working with Bill Hufnagel on the land division; working on two more and also with company on Airpaks.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Wind Turbines: No news from attorney. Clerk received a call from Sciota Township board member regarding our Police Power Ordinance for wind turbine issue.
2. Zoning Enforcement:
3. Medical Marihuana: Planning Commission will discuss at their meeting this month.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Pohl was absent.
2. Zoning Administrator's Report: Board members briefly discussed Ms. Foster's activity report.
3. Jon Johnson, Burnham & Flower Insurance Group: Mr. Johnson answered questions from the Board regarding additional insurance coverage for Zoning from \$125,000 to \$250,000. He also spoke about safety-related grants (up to \$5000) per grant for Spring and Fall and suggested that Dallas Township apply for these. There was lengthy discussion regarding both topics. **S. Schafer made a motion, supported by A. Schafer to increase coverage to \$250,000 for additional zoning coverage for a 3-year contract. Motion carried.**

He also answered questions regarding the fire department coverage through Provident. **V. Feldpausch moved, supported by E. Marvel to accept the Provident Firefighter coverage. Motion carried.**

4. Rescue Refusal Fee: **S. Schafer moved, supported by E. Marvel to table this discussion until the July meeting. Motion carried.**

5. Fire Department Air Packs: V. Feldpausch reported that out of the ten (10) Airpaks, five (5) are not legally usable and stated the cost is \$12,500 for ten (10) refurbished Avon Airpaks. **V. Feldpausch moved, supported by S. Schafer to table this discussion until V. Feldpausch can get further information. Motion carried.**

6. Volunteer to the Treasurer Resolution 2018-#13: A. Schafer contacted the MTA and they stated that Treasurer Schafer's husband should have a title and his appointment be approved by the township board through a resolution. **S. Schafer moved, supported by E. Marvel to approve the Volunteer to the Treasurer appointment, Resolution 2018-#13. Motion carried. Ayes: Feldpausch, Koenigsknecht, Marvel, S. Schafer. Nays: None. A. Schafer abstained.**

There was also discussion regarding the decline in demand to collect taxes at the Village of Fowler office. **S. Schafer moved, supported by V. Feldpausch to discontinue collecting taxes at the Village Office. Treasurer Schafer abstained from the vote. Motion carried.**

It was noted that taxes can still be paid at the Township Treasurer's resident at 510 Elm Street, Elm Street, Fowler, Michigan or sent via mail at the same address.

Public Comments:

Bill Hufnagel was in attendance and asked the township board to authorize splitting 1 acre from his property to Gary and Renee Hufnagel. **S. Schafer moved, supported by E. Marvel to authorize Mr. Hufnagel to split 1 acre of his property to be purchased by Gary and Renee Hufnagel. 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 9:00 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Therese Koenigsknecht, Dallas Township Clerk

Upcoming Events:

**June 18th, Dallas Township Planning Commission Meeting
July 10th, Dallas Township Board Meeting
July 20th, C.A.A.S.A. Board Meeting**