

DALLAS TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the Pre-Budget and Regular Monthly Board Meeting
March 14, 2022 @ 2:00 pm

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

Members
Absent:

Guests: Schafer, Mindy Thelen, Doug

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: As noted above.

Additions or Correction to Agenda/Approval of Agenda: It was requested to add Approval for Board members to attend the MTA Conference to the agenda. **A motion was made by E. Marvel, supported by S. Schafer to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.**

Minutes of Meeting – February 7th: **A motion was made by A. Schafer, supported by S. Schafer to approve the minutes from the February 7th monthly board meeting. Motion carried.**

Approval of Bills: **A motion was made by S. Schafer, supported by E. Marvel to approve the payment of the following bills, General Fund \$2,770.01 and Fire Fund \$1477.61. Motion carried.**

REPORTS:

Fire Dept: V. Feldpausch stated the new engine is in service; the breakfast is this coming Sunday and the department is on Run #114 so far.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht worked on legal ads; FOIA payroll request; trained deputy clerk; in contact with BOE; entered and completed 2022-23 budget and revenue and expenditure reports.

Treasurer: A. Schafer stated \$1,649,868.46 (98.5%) of taxes were collected; currently \$36,342.78 from Summer and Winter taxes were delinquent; GF monies collected \$12.55, which was interest from tax collection account; \$415.69 was Penalty up to 2/28/22; Over/Under for 2021 tax year was \$32.54, which was taken out of the Administration fee; settled with County; more pre-audit work with P. Schafer; and discussed that funds from sale of old fire truck will go into the general fund.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch has been working with Phil Hanses and Bruce Wirth on tubes; ARPA funds and Pierce rep on new truck issues.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Wind Turbines: No news from attorney.
2. Solar Farms: Planning Commission meets tonight.
3. American Rescue Funding: This will be discussed under New Business #4.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Pohl emailed the following information:
 - 911 transition to new platform is slated for March 8th.
 - Townships are being approached by marihuana businesses to establish medical, adult use and/or grow operations in the municipality. The County does not intend to regulate these activities under the Zoning Ordinance. If your township maintains its current opt-out position to marihuana establishments, nothing more needs to be done by your township.
 - Clinton Transit anticipates adding Sunday transportation services and the facility will be updated this Spring.
 - Approved re-monumentation contracts for 2022; funding provided through the state on a 40-year plan.

- Waste Management will hold the Spring Clean Community Event on April 30th from 8 am to 2 pm at the Road Commission location. Appointments will be required and information can be found at www.clinton-county.org website. This will include car and light truck tires up to a maximum of 10 tires per appointment.
- The BOC approved funding for redesign and update to the County website/cybersecurity policy.
- To properly allocate costs to provide these services, a fee study was approved for the following departments: Clerk, Reg of Deeds, Sheriff, Drain Commission, Planning and Zoning, Equalization, and Building/Soil Erosion.
- Smith Hall and the Fairgrounds: Plans are to remove the restrictions that resulted from the COVID-19.
- A survey of broadband service was conducted online and by phone. On March 16th, the County will offer the results and discuss what might be available options.
- Clinton County Sheriff, Larry Jerue, will be retiring at the end of April. Larry did a fantastic job leading law enforcement especially through the pandemic.

2. Zoning Administrator’s Report: Board members briefly discussed Ms. Foster’s activity report.

3. 2022-23 Meeting Schedule: **A motion was made by E. Marvel, supported by S. Schafer to approve the 2022-23 Meeting Schedule dates. Motion carried.**

The Dallas Township Board will meet on the following dates for the 2022-2023 year. All meetings will begin at 2:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted and will take place at the Dallas Township Hall, 225 South Main Street, Fowler, Michigan 48835.

Monday, April 11, 2022

Monday, November 14, 2022

Monday, May 9, 2022

Monday, December 12, 2022

Monday, June 13, 2022

Monday, January 9, 2023

Monday, July 11, 2022

Monday, February 13, 2023

Monday, August 8, 2022

Monday, March 13, 2023 Pre-Budget Hearing

Monday, September 12, 2022

Friday, March 31, 2023 Budget Review & Hearing

Monday, October 10, 2022

All meetings are held the second Monday of each month with the exception of the Friday, March 31, 2023 Budget Review & Hearing meeting.

4. A.R.P.A. Money for C.A.A.S.A. Funding: There was lengthy discussion regarding ARPA funds and where/how they can be used. **A motion was made by S. Schafer, supported by A. Schafer to approve donating \$20,000 to the Clinton Area Ambulance Service Authority, for emergency services in fiscal year 2022/23. Motion carried.**

5. Clinton County Road Commission Agreement for Improvements: Board members discussed this agreement. **A motion was made by E. Marvel, supported by A. Schafer to approve the CCRC Agreement for Improvements. Motion carried.**

6. 2022-23 Pre-Budget Hearing: Board members discussed the 2022-23 Budget in depth.

7. MTA Conference Approval: **A motion was made by T. Koenigsknecht, supported by S. Schafer to approve Dallas Township Board members may attend the MTA Conference the end of April in Lansing. Motion carried.**

Public Comments:

It was asked if the Dallas Twp Zoning Ordinance allows equine property zoning for profit. This is not allowed.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

There being no further business, a motion was made by T. Koenigsknecht, supported by A. Schafer to adjourn the meeting at 3:53 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Therese Koenigsknecht, Dallas Township Clerk