

DALLAS TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting
November 9, 2020 @ 2:00 p.m.

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

Members
Absent: Marvel, Elizabeth

Guests :

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: S. Schafer requested to add December Planning Commission meeting to the agenda. **A motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by S. Schafer to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.**

Minutes of October 1st Special Meeting and October 12th Monthly Meeting: V. Feldpausch stated under the Fire Department report, there have been 70 and not 130 calls. **A motion was made S. Schafer, supported by A. Schafer to approve the minutes from the October 1st Special and October 12th monthly board meetings. Motion carried.**

Approval of Bills: **A motion was made by A. Schafer, supported by V. Feldpausch to approve the payment of the following bills, General Fund \$21,309.56, which included election inspector bonus and Fire Fund bills \$3152.80. T. Koenigsknecht abstained. Motion carried.**

REPORTS:

Fire Dept: V. Feldpausch stated the truck has been ordered; department has been very busy – currently @ run #73; mutual aid assist @ Devereaux Saw Mill. An electric hot stick was donated by Devereaux Saw Mill after the fire run.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht completed a Work Comp audit in mid-October; 1505 ballots, out of 1792 registered voters, approximately 84%, were tabulated at the 11-3-20 General Election; mailed out 822 ballots and 765 voters came to the polls; 11 voting booths available but constantly busy.

Treasurer: A. Schafer stated she is working on the winter newsletter; received an increase in the winter taxes due to increases in assessments and millages. 2019 totals were \$1,191,349.69 and 2020 is \$1,560,851.63; the \$369,501.94 increase is due to assessments.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch has been working with the Clinton County Road and Drain Commissions regarding paying for half of gravel; met with Tammy Foster, Rick Fink and Bengal Twp Supervisor regarding a potential solar farm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Wind Turbines: No news from attorney.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Pohl emailed his November report.

- Clinton County Board of Commissioners (BOC) adopted a balanced 2021 budget
- 911 update project included communication signal strength; the 911 upgrade will provide 90% of the funds for the initial purchase of the necessary local equipment plus an agreement; any upgrades and insurance will be the responsibility of the local unit and approved the Michigan Public Safety Communication System (MPSCS) member agreement;

- Spicer Group reported two phases of FEMA floodplain map review are completed; maps created to identify structures that may have the potential of being removed from the flood zone; next phase includes working with the County to notify property owners of this possibility; Administration office will be working with the Drain Commissioner to develop an action plan to assist property owners with the information they need to complete this process.
 - County approved a designated assessor agreement, which will now be presented to the local assessing units for their approval.
 - The County approved a \$25,000 expenditure for continued microfilming and imaging of departmental records.
2. Zoning Administrator's Report: Board members briefly discussed Ms. Foster's activity report.
 3. Collection Agency Fees/Usage: V. Feldpausch brought up possibility of not sending refusal charges to collection agency and instead writing them off. He will speak to Fire Department Billing Clerk and report at next meeting.
 4. Dallas Twp Office Location: Clerk discussed transitioning clerk's office to the township hall and asked for approval to purchase a new legal-size filing cabinet with a locking device. ***A motion was made by S. Schafer, supported by A. Schafer to authorize the clerk to spend up to \$500 on a new filing cabinet. Motion carried.***
 5. Inter-local Agreement for Clinton County Designated Assessor: V. Feldpausch briefed members of this Inter-local Agreement, to authorize Scott Cunningham to oversee the Dallas Twp. Assessor's work. ***A motion was made by T. Koenigsknecht, supported by S. Schafer to approve the Inter-local Agreement for Clinton County Designated Assessor. Motion carried.***
 6. December 7, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting: S. Schafer requested authorization for Zoning Administrator to attend this meeting for clarification on subjects.

Public Comments:

V. Feldpausch stated he was contacted by someone wanting to use the south side of the township hall for yoga classes. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this requested was tabled until certain restrictions are lifted by the Health Department.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

There being no further business, a motion was made by S. Schafer, supported by T. Koenigsknecht to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Therese Koenigsknecht, Dallas Township Clerk

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, November 12, 2020 - C.A.A.S.A. Board Meeting
Monday, December 7, 2020 - Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
Monday, December 14, 2020 - Dallas Township Board Meeting 2:00 pm