

DALLAS TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting
October 11, 2021 @ 2:00 pm

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

Members
Absent:

Guests: Martin, Louie Pohl, Dave – Clinton County Commissioner

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: ***A motion was made by E. Marvel, supported by S. Schafer, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.***

Minutes of Meeting – September 13th: ***A motion was made by A. Schafer, supported by S. Schafer, to approve the minutes from the September 13th monthly board meeting. 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 \$38,764.06 and Fire Fund \$1782.86. Motion carried.***

REPORTS:

Fire Dept: V. Feldpausch stated the department has been very busy, up to #68 for the year; one fire fighter resigned and due to the chip delay, there is a delay in completing the fire truck.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht worked with Patti S. on pre-audit; Auditor Steve Bryer, completed F-65 and filed with Dept of Treasury; working on second FOIA request regarding November 2020 Election; attended September 13th Planning Commission meeting and completed 3rd quarter payroll.

Treasurer: A. Schafer stated \$14,524.08 in summer taxes are still due; steady stream of people still paying taxes; discussed over/under rule in place; will be working with Patti S. soon and requested Winter newsletter items from board members by November 1st.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch has been working on land divisions near Westphalia; met with Clinton County Road Commission and gravel was finished last week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Wind Turbines: No news from attorney.
2. Solar Farms: S. Schafer stated at the September 13th Dallas Township Planning Commission (DTPC) meeting, members were concerned that the residential solar system is included in the Zoning Ordinance moratorium. At this time, DTPC members are seeking explanation of their questions/concerns from Attorney Chris Patterson.
3. American Rescue Funding: Clerk received email from Dept. of Treasury requesting recipient name change on the application.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Pohl gave the following report:
 - 911 update anticipated transition for law enforcement in December and Fire/EMS in January or February of 2022. The 911 center update is complete and some phases of the project are still subject to delivery and installation issues.
 - Approved a resolution for publication of a notice of intent to issue bonds for the Road Commission facility upgrade. The overall steps were outlined by legal counsel.

County Commissioners Report – continued:

- Two experienced Park development people, are also members of the Parks and Greenspace Committee, discussed pros and cons of a property for future park development. The BOC recommended engaging an environmental consultant to evaluate the property.
- Waste Management reported on the state of recycling in Clinton County. Currently, recycling is available to all residents of the County either by curbside or reasonable proximity to a rural recycling site. The rural recycling has taken in over 12,500 tons of material since its inception; no data available on the curbside volumes.
- The Health Department reported COVID transmission in schools are still of concern; nearly all deaths due to COVID are occurring among the unvaccinated. At home COVID test kits will soon be coming available through the Health Department and awaiting Federal written guidance regarding implementation of the President's Initiative.
- Capitol City Airport gave an update on air transport activities; passenger service down 25% from 2019 and freight up 20%. Upside potential for passenger travel is modest but freight upside is significant. There are significant opportunities for employment in the air travel industry particularly crews and maintenance personnel.

2. Zoning Administrator's Report: No activity for October and Zoning Administrator will be sending a report for the November meeting.

3. Year End Report: T. Koenigsknecht stated there is a programming error in BS&A general ledger software and BS&A Development Department will be updating. As soon as error is fixed, year end report will be available.

4. Consumers Energy (CMS) Billing: V. Feldpausch stated that CMS felt, since they were not at fault, that CMS shouldn't be billed for recent fire run, which destroyed an electrical pole. Board members discussed and it was decided to not bill CMS for this fire run.

Public Comments:

L. Martin stated he was concerned about tile/underground field tiles, where proposed solar farm project is planned, as well as surrounding areas. Planning Commission members will be made aware of his concerns.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

There being no further business, a motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by E. Marvel, to adjourn the meeting at 3:30 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Therese Koenigsknecht, Dallas Township Clerk

Upcoming Events:

October 21, 2021 – C.A.A.S.A. Board Meeting
November 8, 2021 – Dallas Twp. Board Meeting – 2:00 pm