# DALLAS TOWNSHIP Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting October 14, 2024 @ 2:00 p.m. Approved November 11, 2024

Members Present: Feldpausch, Vern Schafer, Mindy Douglass, Elizabeth Schafer, Ann Feldpausch, Patrick

Absent: None

Guests: Katie Halfmann

<u>Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Feldpausch at 2:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: Ken Wieber, David Pohl, Kyle O'Meara

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> A motion was made by E. Douglass, supported by A. Schafer to approve the agenda with the removal "Election Commission". Motion carried.

<u>Minutes of Meetings – September 9, 2024</u> A motion was made by A. Schafer, supported by P. Feldpausch to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2024 board meeting. Motion carried.

<u>Approval of Bills:</u> A motion was made by P. Feldpausch, supported by E. Douglass to approve the payment of the monthly bills totaling \$7958.16 in General Fund bills, \$3522.99 in Fire Department and any other regular bills received prior to next meeting. Motion carried.

#### <u>Reports</u>

Fire Dept: Chief Feldpausch reported that the department has been very busy. The department responded to a mutual aid large barn fire on Price Road.

Clerk: Clerk Schafer gave an update on the November election. There was a shipping delay in ballot delivery; however, Clerk Schafer and Deputy Clerk Koenigsknecht were able to process and mail nearly 600 absentee ballots within a day of receiving them. Dallas Township will be working at the Bingham Township early voting site on Tuesday, October 29.

Treasurer: Treasurer Schafer reported that all but approximately \$25,000 of summer taxes have been collected. She provided an update on the delinquent Personal Property Tax. She asked that newsletter items be sent to her by November 1

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch reported that he is working on several land divisions. He has been working with the attorney to set a timeline for assessing the new ambulance fee. He invited Kyle O'Meara from Fahey, Schults, Burzych & Rhodes to discuss the requirements and our options.

### Old Business

Clinton County Wide Broadband-none

#### Wind Turbines-None

CAAS Ballot-Kyle O'Meara presented the board with the hearing and legal notice requirements the board must complete before the ambulance fee can be assessed. There will be a public hearing at the board's February meeting and an Assessment Hearing at the annual budget hearing in March. In addition, two legal notices in two publications and one mailing notice per meeting is required. Kyle can provide verbiage for both the legal notice and mailed notice.

#### **New Business**

Clinton County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Pohl provided a written report.Highlights included the county approving the addition of two uniformed deputies, courthouse maintenance projects and an approved agreement with the MSU Extension Service.

Zoning Administrators Report: No Report

Wind and Solar Ordinance- Ken Wieber presented an option for the board to consider that appears to be in compliance with PA-233. Specific location of wind/solar installations is not specified in the state law. Some townships are creating overlay districts, which are not specifically addressed in PA-233. If accommodations are not made to our ordinance, the developer has the option to turn to the MPSC for zoning or to begin negotiations with the township. Attorney Kyle O'Meara provided further information and answered board questions regarding renewable energy ordinances and zoning.

Public Comments **(3 min. limit)**-P. Feldpausch asked about street repairs within the Village and if there is a cost share with the township or county. Supervisor Feldpausch answered that the Village pays the full amount but there are funds from the state available to offset the cost.

## ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

# There being no further business, a motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by E. Douglass to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mendy Schafer

Mindy Schafer, Dallas Township Clerk