

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 19, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Tim Elkins, Clerk Cindy Shields, Treasurer Pat Miller,
Trustee Travis Howell

Attorney David Lattie

Chief of Police Rick Freeman

Deputy Chief Gerald Harris

Recording Secretary Rhonda Clark

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Matthew Karr

OTHERS PRESENT: Lori Tallman, Tim Green, Jim Slezak, Mo Aboneaaj

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Davison Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7 pm at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Mr. Elkins asked to add two items to the agenda: Setting the CDBG Public Hearing for November 9, 2020 at 7 pm, Administrative Assessing Policy 2020-3. Also added to Informational items is the MERS Quarterly OPEB account balance sheet for review.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve the October 19, 2020 meeting agenda with the additions as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve the September 14, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve the October 8, 2020 special meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Miller gave the September, 2020 Treasurer's Report with total receipts of \$2,699,591.75. The Quarterly Investment Summary shows a total of \$662,105.04 in General CD's and \$1,102,318.68 in Water/Sewer CD's.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve the September, 2020 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD EXPENDITURES

Mr. Elkins reported total expenditures from 9-10-2020 to 10-15-2020 in the amount of \$6,206,280.28. It was noted that \$3,595,605.70 was Summer Tax payments to the State and County.

MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Board Expenditures as presented. Roll call: Yes- Miller, Shields, Elkins, Howell. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period was opened at 7:06 pm and there were no comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing for Police Special Assessment: Resolution 2020-16

Mr. Elkins opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 pm. There were no Public Comments.

The annual Police Special Assessment has been spread throughout the district since 1995 and did not increase from 2019. The improved parcels amount will be \$236.55, vacant parcels will be \$78.85 and Commercial Class 1 parcels 05-04-300-022-\$3,184.04, 05-17-100-009-\$912.84, 05-17-100-011-\$1,129.26, 05-17-501-015-\$602.97, 05-18-200-015-\$2,761.39 and 05-18-200-016-\$1,312.22 will make the total of \$2,327,216.00 for the purchasing, housing and operation of police equipment. This special assessment will be placed on the 2020 winter tax bill.

Susan S. Gayner - ParkLand Ventures, Inc, representing Continental Estates MI, LLC, and Davison East Mobile Home Park is requesting the board change vacant mobile home slabs to only be charged the vacant amount of \$78.85. The board took it under advisement and will discuss it. If it is approved the Special Assessment Roll will be amended to reflect the request.

Heidi Breidenstein- 2127 Hollytree- sent an email that was not received in time for the meeting, protesting the Police Special Assessment due to the Covid pandemic. It has been noted for the record.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve Resolution 2020-16 Police Special Assessment as presented. Roll call: Yes- Shields, Elkins, Howell, Miller. Motion carried.

Public Hearing for Garbage Special Assessment: Resolution 2020-18

Mr. Elkins opened the Public Hearing at 7:10pm. There were no Public Comments.

The annual Garbage Special Assessment is a pass thru to the benefited parcels for the removal of garbage, recycling and yard waste within the district. The amount of \$116.00 per benefited parcel has not increased from 2019. This special assessment will be placed on the 2020 winter tax bill.

Heidi Breidenstein- 2127 Hollytree- sent an email that was not received in time for the meeting, protesting the Garbage Special Assessment due to the Covid pandemic. It has been noted for the record.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve Resolution 2020-18 Garbage Special Assessment as presented. Roll call: Yes – Elkins, Howell, Miller, Shields. Motion carried.

Public Hearing for Fire Special Assessment – Resolution 2020-17

Mr. Elkins opened the Public Hearing at 7:13pm. There were no Public Comments.

The annual Fire Special Assessment will be \$39.00 per unit, per parcel within the district. The amount of \$39.00 has not increased from 2019. This special assessment will be placed on the 2020 winter tax bill.

Heidi Breidenstein – 2127 Hollytree- sent an email that was not received in time for the meeting, protesting the Fire Special Assessment due to the Covid pandemic. It has been noted for the record.

MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY MILLER to approve Resolution 2020-17 Fire Special Assessment as presented. Roll call: Yes- Howell, Miller, Shields, Elkins. Motion carried.

Public Hearing for Griffin Lake Specials Assessment – Resolution 2020-19

Mr. Elkins opened the Public Hearing at 7:15pm. There were no Public Comments.

He explained that the residents of Janiece Drive, Griffin Lake Drive, State Road, and Lippincott Blvd. that are adjacent to Long Lake are assessed for the aquatic weed control of the lake. This year the lake had an extra treatment with the annual assessment in the amount of \$514.97 per benefited parcel. This special assessment will be placed on the 2020 winter tax bill.

MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve Resolution 2020-19 Griffin Lake Special Assessment as presented. Roll call: Yes- Miller, Shields, Elkins, Howell. Motion carried.

Proposed Budget Amendment dated October 19, 2020

Mr. Elkins stated the purpose of this budget amendment is to reflect the previously approved paver replacement project at Veteran’s Court. This amends the Veteran’s Court budgeted amount from \$20,000 to \$31,400.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Budget Amendment of October 19, 2020 in the amount of \$11,400.00. Roll call: Yes- Elkins, Howell, Miller, Shields. Motion carried.

Halloween Discussion

Mr. Elkins said that during the Covid pandemic things have changed dramatically and a few months ago no one was sure if Halloween trick-or-treating would go on as usual. The board packet contains information from MIDHHS and CDC Stay Safe guidelines for Halloween celebrations. The surrounding communities will be allowing Trick-or-Treating from 6-8pm.

The board agreed this would be in the best interest of the community to allow trick-or-treating as normal from 6pm-8pm on Halloween, encouraging everyone to take appropriate safety measures. And, the same as normal, any resident not wishing to participate may leave their light off.

In addition, the Davison Township Parks & Rec. will be holding Trunk-or-Treating at the Lake Callis Complex on October 23rd from 4-7pm. There are already 40 vendors participating with over 600 registrations.

Set Public Hearing for the CDBG Participation for 2021

Mr. Elkins recommended setting the Public Hearing for participating in the Federal CDBG program for 2021 for November 9, 2020 at 7:05 pm. This will allow the public to suggest ideas for projects, in low-to-moderate income areas, with CDBG funding.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to set the CDBG Public Hearing date for November 9, 2020 at 7:05 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Policy 2020-3: Policy of Accessibility for the Davison Township Assessment Department to Taxpayers of Davison Township

Mr. Elkins stated that Heather from Legacy Consulting Agency suggested a policy of availability for the Assessing Department. It includes phone numbers, email address' and business hours.

MOTION BY ELKINS, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve Administrative Policy 2020-3 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

FUTURE BUSINESS

None

BOARD COMMENTS

Pat and Cindy stated how busy the Clerk's Department has been and how confused the people were about voting this year. The Clerk's Department staff are doing a phenomenal job.

Rick said the Police Accreditation process has begun and Lt. Markwardt has him working overtime on it.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. FANG updates
- B. Charter Communications update
- C. Other board meeting minutes
- D. MERS Quarterly Report – doing very good

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Cindy K. Shields, Clerk

Timothy W. Elkins, Supervisor

