

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
MAY 9, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Jim Slezak, Treasurer Tim Green, Trustee Lori Tallman,  
Trustee Matt Karr

Chief of Police Jay Rendon  
Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Harris

Building Official Matt Place

Recording Secretary Jami Vert

Attorney David Lattie

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ellen Ellenburg, Rebecca Jurva-Brinn, Matt Morris

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Davison Township Board was called to order at 6:00 pm at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ADOPT THE AGENDA**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN** to adopt the May 9, 2022 agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN** to approve the April 11, 2022 regular board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PREVIOUS CLOSED SESSION BOARD MINUTES**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER** to approve the April 11, 2022 closed session board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PREVIOUS SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER** to approve the April 18, 2022 special board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Green presented the treasurer's report as followed: total income for general is \$82,466.60; water and sewer \$490,623.65; with total receipts of \$573,090.25; budgeted for fiscal year 2021/2022 for general \$8,511,533.00- expended year-to-date is \$5,574,252.52; water and sewer is \$7,114,991.00 – expended year-to-date is \$5,277,698.11.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER** to approve Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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**APPROVE BOARD EXPENDITURES**

Mr. Slezak- need a motion to approve board expenditures in the amount of \$1,083,555.68 from 04/11/2022-05/08/2022.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN** to approve board expenditures as presented.

Tallman- why are the charges not detailed out for check number 79712?

Miller – do you know why Tim?

Green – no.

Miller – I will make sure they are next time.

Tallman – what is the trust A/C check number 79754 all about?

Miller – might be a CD that mature.

Tallman – no, these are bills paid out.

Miller – not sure.

Karr – can you check that out and find out what it is for?

Miller – I will check first thing in the morning.

Roll Call: Green – yes; Karr – yes; Miller – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Update on the AFC Home

Lattie – they chose to have an exemption that allowed up to four residents; Wayne County does not oversee that account; just received a copy of the license for up-to six residents; no requirement that a family member has to live there; overseen by the State; can remove from the agenda from this point on.

Tallman – did you communicate that with the residents in that community that you had been in contact with?

Lattie- I will double check to make sure that is communicated.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Supervisor's Update- Slezak – Lapeer Road over pass will be closed starting May 11, 2022 until the end of June 2022; after that starting in July 2022 from Gale Road/Lapeer Road to C&L Ward will be closed for widening the lane and making a turn lane; Genesee County Road Commission said that we have some of the best roads in the county.

Clerk's Update- Miller – first election got through; not looking forward to the August primary; day-to-day.

Police Update- Rendon – in the process of finishing up a back ground check for a new police officer; hopefully in the next couple weeks it will be finished up; two more officers going to bike training.

Parks Update- Reed – No update/was not here.

Building Update- Place- April we issued 28 building permits; a total revenue of \$1,299,793.00; total billed \$12,243.00; Dairy Queen should be breaking ground in the next couple

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weeks; new subdivision coming in the Township soon.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public comment period opened at 6:15 P.M.

Ellen Ellenburg – 2228 Buder Ave, Burton, MI – inherited the south-end of Davison Township as the third district since the redistricting of Michigan; proudly served the residents of the City of Burton for 9 years as a City Council woman; first time being in the Davison Township Building; looks forward to serving the new part of the third district.

Rebecca Jurva-Brinn – 604 Westover Pass, Grand Blanc, MI – running for Circuit Court Judge; 16 years as a Genesee County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney; running to fill the seat of Judge Beagle; awarded for professional excellence from the Michigan State Police; prosecuted the guy who poisoned his wife’s cereal with drugs.

Matt Morris – 11490 E. Lippincott Blvd., Davison, MI – wanted to say that I am very pleased that the repeal of the ordinance 2010-22 is on the agenda; hopes it gets approved; reads the second amendment.

The public comment period was closed at 6:20 P.M.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Repeal Ordinance NO. 2010-22**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN** to approve the repeal of Ordinance NO. 2010-22. Roll Call: Tallman – yes; Miller – yes; Karr – yes; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approve Aggregate Resurfacing Henderson Road from Lippincott Road to Atherton Road**

**MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY KARR** to approve aggregate resurfacing Henderson Road from Lippincott Road to Atherton Road with our portion being \$25,080.69. Roll Call; Miller – yes; Karr – yes; Green – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approve Zoning Permit Applications (Sheds)**

Place – there was a change in 2000 that stated shed under 200 square feet did not need a permit; since that was done there have been many problems with people putting them up and also putting them on other people’s property; asking we do a zoning permit to alleviate any headache from that; hard time regulating; just had a case we went to court for this purpose.

Miller – any shed will have to have a permit?; not attached is it just a rat wall? What about footing?

Place – yes anything under 200 square feet; no footings required for anything under 600 square feet.

Tallman – get this up on the website; local newspaper; find a way to get the word out.

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Place – it will be posted and it will take 30-days to go into effect.

Karr – you have to get a permit if it is under 200?

Miller – anything.

Karr – zoning permit is required for anything under 200.

Place – correct, anything over 200 will require a building permit; we don't allow sheds in a box here in the Township.

**MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY MILLER** to approve Zoning Permit Applications for sheds. Roll Call: Green – yes; Karr – yes; Miller – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Purposed Budget Amendment**

Slezak – we had ordered a new truck over a year ago; last time we got to use the bid assist; this time we are not allowed to.

Tallman – who is using this one?

Slezak – code enforcement.

Tallman – we don't have one yet.

Slezak – hopefully soon.

Miller – I kind of see the need for it, but echo Tallman on it getting a vehicle; in the past we have Ford Taurus that we use; have a hard time buying a new truck when we have the cars out there; timing is hurting; hold off until we get a code enforcement officer; we can utilize the money to some other department.

Slezak – if we don't take this truck there is no guarantee we will get another one in a timely manner; it is not ideal to use a car for code enforcement; it was budgeted already to get another one.

Place – there was two model numbers that came out that year; we have the model number that don't qualify for bid assist.

Slezak – if we would have known this, we would have budgeted a little more for it.

Tallman – do you have any information on statics on far as many calls we are receiving from complaints since we switched.

Place – since we don't have the code enforcement officer; I'm getting all the calls and with summer coming they are not going to slow down any.

Miller – I have a problem with the complaint base; if your neighbor does not like you, you will get hit; but if your neighbor likes you, you could be violating the ordinance and not even knowing it.

Slezak – it is when we go out; we had that same scenario that you just described and we had to ticket both; code enforcement will still go around; they are not going to wait for complaints.

Miller - that is my concern is if we are just waiting for calls to come in.

Tallman – is this vehicle just being used for code enforcement?

Place – yes, or if the Township needs to use it for anything else; like the police have used our vehicles in the past.

Miller – this can be used to set up election precincts as well.

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Green – are we going to sell the Ford Taurus?

Place – yes.

Green – that could offset the \$9,500.00.

Miller – if we get to that; in the past I have sold our vehicles in the past to Hank Graff; as long as the board agrees.

Lattie – we need to offer it for sale widely to everyone.

Miller – we should get more money as the used car sales are up.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN** to approve the purposed budget amendment in the amount of \$9,500.00 to purchase the new truck. Roll Call; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Miller – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

**Possible Closed Session for Legal Opinion**

Lattie – I sent you legal correspondence; outlined a little bit on the lawsuit on the County Clerk and some local Clerks; if you want to discuss anything you will want to go into closed session; if you feel you got enough information that is okay too.

Slezak – I am good.

Green – you okay with that Pat?

Pat – I might have some concerns and can bring them up to Lattie at a later time.

Lattie – when we get served; Pat is named because he is the Clerk of the Township; insurance will cover you and anyone else that works or the Township.

**Unfinished Business**

Miller – I will be coming to the board later; requesting we expand to 3 full-time in the Clerk's department; their job descriptions will be as followed: Accounts Receivable/Payroll, Insurance/HR and Elections/FOIA coordinators; eliminated the part-time election person; my Chief Deputy Clerk (Alma Gay) will be retiring at the end of June 2022 or will stay on until the end of July 2022 if required for the training of the new employees; I have a person that has expressed interest in coming to Davison Township as the Elections/FOIA Director, she is currently working as the Clerk in Howell and was the Deputy Clerk of Mundy Township for 5 years; she is looking to work closer to home and has expressed a strong desire to gain employment at Davison Township; she volunteered her time at no cost and did so to help me with the last election (May 3<sup>rd</sup>); as the Township has grown so have the needs of the Clerk's Department to keep up with all the requirements associated with the Clerk's Department; without this additional help in the Elections Department, I feel I won't be able to pull off the August Primary and November General Elections; I just got trained myself and now trying to train the new employees; this Saturday I have to train all my electoral inspectors; I have already hired this person as a consultant to help me with the training and recertification of all my election inspectors that I have to complete by May 31, 2022; I believe that the funds we received during the pandemic (ARPA Funds) could be used for this position as I am creating a Special Department to solely handle election integrity and security; which is a big human cry today; as upcoming elections get nearer, I won't be able to obtain knowledgeable helps as all Clerk's will be running their own elections; like I said I have not had formal conversation with this person on compensation; when that transpires I will come back to the board; we definitely need someone that is knowledgeable about elections; Clerk's department will expand; as to Alma will stay on as

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to my decision on when to let her go and in no way shape or form will it go on past the end of the year; I don't see keeping her on to train because the gal she is training picks it up real quick; too much right now; on election night they all were looking to me for answers and I couldn't give it to them and that is a scary, scary thing; if it had not been for the other gal to step forward I would have been lost; I have been called down to the County Board of Canvassers; when I come to you for a proposal in the future this is what it will be; I can set my budget to offset this increase; replace part-time to full-time.

Lattie – I don't want to be lectured on this by our labor attorney; I want her to have a copy in advance; and she be totally okay.

Miller – unless I'm told no way shape or form tonight, I don't want to put it out there.

Lattie – labor attorney has to sign off on this proposal.

Green – when Alma leaves you are staying with two full-time?

Miller – no, I want three full-time in there; I have to get someone in there that knows elections; her passion is elections; wants to get closer to home; I will get a proposal together and get it to the labor attorney; if she came in part-time it would have to be a set time; bottom line is quality help out there we have to up our pay that we provide.

Karr – our budget workshop can we move the time to 11am?

Slezak – what is your schedule like Tallman?

Tallman – 11 will work for me that day.

Karr – May 20, 2022 @ 11am; thanks.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN** TO ADJOURN AT 6:52 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

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Patrick Miller, Clerk

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Jim Slezak, Supervisor