

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Jim Slezak, Treasurer Tim Green, Clerk Patrick Miller, Trustee Lori Tallman, Trustee Matt Karr
Chief of Police Jay Rendon
Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed
Building Official Matt Place
Recording Secretary Jami Vert
Attorney David Lattie

MEMBERS ABSENT: Deputy Jerry Harris

OTHERS PRESENT: John Krueger

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 SLEZAK, SECOND BY KARR to amend and adopt the January 9, 2023 agenda with the following: item C – to change closed session from personnel to written attorney opinion. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve the December 12, 2022 regular board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve the December 15, 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 fiscal year 2022/2023 general is \$1,146,495.22; water and sewer \$704,186.46; tax \$3,126,005.73 with total receipts of \$4,976,687.41; budgeted for fiscal year 2022/2023 for general \$8,539,792.00 - expended year-to-date is \$3,532,132.79 with a balance of \$5,007,659.21; water and sewer is \$7,335,172.00 – expended year-to-date is \$2,829,507.35 with a balance of \$4,505,664.65.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE BOARD EXPENDITURES

Mr. Slezak- need a motion to approve board expenditures in the amount of \$1,810,121.66 from 12/12/2022-1/8/2023.

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

Tallman – I want to see the detailed credit card statement from this point on; will not approve board bills if I do not see this.

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Slezak – will the statement do?

Tallman – as long as I can see what the money was spent on; I formally request that to be done from this point on.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Davison Township Parks and Recreation will receive an Award for “Innovative Recreation Programming”.

Slezak – want to congratulate the Parks for an award they are receiving; not something you get every day; not just locally either; I will have Casey explain more about the award when we have our department updates.

Tallman – that is not an easy award to get for that; congrats.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Supervisor’s Update- Slezak – a lot of new businesses are still wanting to come into the Township; the police are doing a great job at keeping our residents safe; I have had a lot of residents when I am out thanking me for them seeing more police presence out in the community.

Clerk’s Update- Miller – not much to update on; slow time; we are doing housekeeping in the elections; election director is only coming in one day a week.

Police Update- Rendon – thanks for the comment on the presence of more police in the community; no fatal accidents this year; we had only two dart calls over New Years.

Parks Update- Reed – trail of lights is over; had to cancel one night due to the negative temperature; we had 3,000 people that went through; the award is for us creating an app; the residents would go to three different parks and find the clues, once they found all of them they would turn it in and receive a gift; we will be accepting the award at the March Conference; hoping to have the ice back on the lake so we can have our derby; my employees are doing the polar bear plunge and are trying to get me to do it.

Building Update - Place – December we issued 24 permits; total construction value of \$145,151.00; with revenue of \$4,779.00; Dairy Queen is open now; next year will be busy; I have been in contact with some big businesses that are wanting to come into the township.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period opened at 6:13 p.m. / The public comment period was closed at 6:13 P.M.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE DEBBIE’S CELL PHONE ALLOWNACE (CEMETERY)

Slezak – the phone at the cemetery does not work; we are having to give her personal cell phone out so the residents can get a hold of her; we will put her direct line on the website; \$50/month to help with her bill.

Tallman – are we getting rid of the phone that is out there?; I thought we were giving her

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phone number out?

Slezak – you may have had her cell phone number already.

Tallman – can we get another cell phone with another number so that way we can keep the same number?

Karr – you will not get a plan for \$50/month.

Tallman – I just don't want the residents to get confused with the number when she decides she wants to be done.

Karr – we will have the number on the website; or they can call the township for her number.

Green - \$50/month for phone allowance is not bad.

Miller – I don't know if we want to put her phone number on the website.

Slezak – if they call up to the township, Jami or Lisa give out her cell phone so they can get a hold of her.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve a \$50/month allowance for Debbie's cell phone bill with the canceling the landline at the cemetery. Roll Call: Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Miller – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE REVISED CEMETERY RATES FOR CREMAINS

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve the revised cemetery rates for cremains. Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION (WRITTEN ATTORNEY OPINION – PERSONNEL)

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY GREEN to approve going into closed session. Roll Call: Karr – yes; Miller; Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed session opened up at 6:21 p.m.

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY KARR to come out of closed session. Roll Call: Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Miller – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed session closed at 7:30 p.m.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve item C from legal opinion. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SLEZAK to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Slezak, Supervisor

Patrick Miller, Clerk