

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
JULY 10, 2023**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Patti Yorks, Eric Vickerman, Andy Meschak, Mark Lange, Patrick Lloyd, Don Cromwell, Sharon Colgan, Terry Jamison, Kelly Parker, Ladd Gratsch, Les Amon, Roxanne Starr, Jeanene Vert, Jason Miller, Nadina Aversa, Lacey Jordan, Maria Zsigo, Gayle Haffner, Sherry Pate, Lorrie Callis, Julie Koster, Glenn Vallaner, Gale Voleker, Craig Smith, David Jenkinson, Scott Bell, Mark Hurley, Andrea Hayward, Tammy Parillo, Robert Graham, Jeff Dewitt, Jan Polzin, Wendy Welcott, William Walker, Paul Steinhauser, Matt Smith, Judy Hendryx, Jim Forro, Dana Hopper, Dave Weir, Kristy Tessmer, Patty Jones, Diane Freeman, Deb Hopkins, Sherry Pate, Samatha Peters

CALL TO ORDER

The Davison Township Board was called to order at 6:30 pm at the Davison Missionary Church, 1481 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Slezak – will amend the agenda and add item F for Genesee Valley Vault.

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY LEFFLER to amend and adopt the July 10, 2023 agenda with the following: add item F Genesee Valley Vault. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC MEETING FOR STONEBROOK SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR STONEBROOK SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

Public comment period opened up at 6:31 p.m.

Patti Yorks, 8160 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – what percent is the township going to help with?; concerns are roads need to be done; full size semis drive down our streets 2-3 times a week; not small trucks; will ruin the road.

Eric Vickerman, 8170 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – concern no description on the roads we are going to receive; are they going to be able to with stand the weight; 23 years lived here; property tax has a line item on it; property taxes are already high; why do I pay for 80% of the roads.

Andy Meschak, 8129 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – retired; work and live primarily in Maryland; we were surprised to receive a letter from the township about this.

Mark Lange, 8071 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – been impassable; does not get plowed; don't maintain; need street sweepers; pay enough taxes 10% from you is not far.

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Patrick Lloyd, 8196 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – Monday-Friday 3 semis come down; some houses use their house as businesses; what is the guarantee; is it going to last 10 years?

Don Cromwell, 12312 Lapper Rd, Davison, MI – Lake Callis is taking a lot of your money that could possibly help with the cost of the roads.

Sharon Colgan, 8120 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – each homeowner would have to pay; could you pay in full? Or do you have to pay over time? If we paid in full, we would avoid interest? What is the interest rate?

Lattie - we don't know the interest rate; we would know when we get closer to starting the project; February 2025 is when you would start to pay on it.

Terry Jamison, 2466 Stonebrook, Davison, MI – little footnote \$644,000, engineered cost are \$84,000.

Robert Wright, 2434 Stonebrook, Davison, MI – how many different quotes did you get?; if it not 4 inches or more it will not hold up; does not say the depth; other concerns I have is the drains; the asphalt is barely holding up; catch basins are not in good shape.

Lattie – that is the Genesee County Road Commission they will bid it out.

Kelly Parker, 8143 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – it is my understanding other subdivisions are getting more money; buses are a concern; delivery trucks are as well; don't want to get stuck with \$10,000 assessment for 10-years; this is just ridiculous.

Ladd Gratsch, 2499 Stonebrook, Davison, MI – Stonebrook gets a lot of traffic; asked for speed bumps.

Public comment period closed at 6:58 p.m.

PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve the June 12, 2023 regular board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve the June 12, 2023 special closed session minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS FINAL BUDGET BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER to approve the June 28, 2023 final budget board minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve the June 28, 2023 special closed session board minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER to approve the July 5, 2023 special board minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve the July 5, 2023 special closed session board minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Green presented the treasurer's report as followed: total income for general is \$8,306,873.76; water and sewer \$639,912.25 with total receipts of \$8,946,786.01; budgeted for fiscal year 2022/2023 for general \$8,681,616.70 - expended year-to-date is \$7,394,073.65 with a balance of \$1,287,543.05; water and sewer is \$7,335,172.00 – expended year-to-date is \$5,922,850.64 with a balance of \$1,412,321.36. Mr. Green stated to the residents to go onto the website and look at the description and what is on each tax bill; it tells you what goes where; he also stated that only 3% of the taxes paid stay here at the township; inflation is up; improvement in the school bond; we are looking at keeping taxes in check.

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

APPROVE BOARD EXPENDITURES

MOTION BY LEFFLER, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve board expenditures in the amount of \$1,289,976.33 plus \$31,160.00 for 6/12/2023 – 7/9/2023 as presented.

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

PUBLIC MEETING FOR STONEBROOK SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR STONEBROOK SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

Public comment opened up at 7:05 p.m.

Eric Vickerman, 8170 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – only 3% goes to the township?; is there a sublet; umbrella; no line item for roads?

Green – it is all on the website; Genesee County Road Commission receives your money from that line item.

Eric Vickerman – is it the residents that go to them on, or the board supports us?

Karr – you can go to the Genesee County Road Commission.

Tallman – you can address all your concerns to your representative of your district.

Kelly Parker, 8143 Boulder Dr, Davison, MI – would be willing to bet if one of you board members lived on that road, you would come up with more money to help.

Public comment closed at 7:10 p.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Greyhound bus dropping off a full bus of transients, homeless, and otherwise unattached people to Davison Township Meijer once-a-week.
- Slezak – greyhound bus is dropping off people at Meijer; phone rang off the hook; put it on the agenda to inform the residents; don't want to hold back; really want people to get involved; don't know how many people came into my office to address concerns; me personally I don't want them to come to Meijer; Gary Gould interviewed our Chief; Meijer finally responded and said it is not an approved MDOT stop; they are working with Greyhound and MDOT; this is private property.
- Leffler – we received calls and found out this was happening; don't know where they

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come from; how long they stay; Meijer is dealing with Greyhound; not the only place this is happening to; Greyhound would not give information; Meijer did not approve this; they are working through legal issues.

Rendon – there is no crime here; they are not illegal immigrants.

Slezak – does anyone from the public want to address this?

Public comments opened at 7:20 p.m.

Roughly 40 residents got up to speak on behalf of their concerns; they were concerned about where these individuals were coming from; where do they stay when being dropped off; what is the township and or the Police going to do; why has the police not arrested anyone of them; this is a problem and it needs to stop; to boycott Meijer; families are afraid of what is happening; why would we put that on the agenda without having all the information; did they get permission from the township or Meijer; some want to go to Lansing and confront the Governor and why she is letting this happen; we need to trespass them; why is Meijer not calling the police for help; why is Chris Swanson not here to help with this problem; some families are scared to shop alone already; don't feel safe in my home or township; the government is bringing all them here; this is a great community and we don't need this in our community; we are facing this problem not just in this community but everywhere; had someone break in my house and they had come from the bus; democrat run agenda; how many more months is this going to happen here; some thanked the board for bringing it to the attention of the residents, while some were upset to bring it up.

Public comment closed at 9:00 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Supervisor's Update - Slezak – Gale Road and Lapeer Road widening should be done by the end of the month; start to seem more orange cones.

Clerk's Update – Leffler -

Police Update - Rendon – been busy.

Parks Update - Reed – been positive things going on; fishing derby; hosted farewell; last day June 22; day camp; lots of rentals; field trips; concession stand; and many others.

Building Update - Place - June we issued 55 permits; total construction value of \$884,782.00; with revenue of \$13,890.00; parking lot for Hamlin Pub is getting started soon.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period opened at 9:16 P.M.

Resident stated they were disappointed in the township; homesteaders are at home; don't come to meeting when you are angry or upset, come all the time; use the appropriate terms next time you put something on the agenda.

The public comment period was closed at 6:18 P.M.

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NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE LENSLOCK BODY CAM FOOTAGE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Tallman – what is the redaction cost?

Rendon – it is in the cost of the product.

Green – is something breaks, they will come out and fix it?

Rendon – yes.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve lenslock body cam footage for Police Department. Roll Call: Green – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE CRITICAL INCIDENT BALLISTIC SYSTEM FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Fortune – we all have to share the same vest; we have to keep adjusting the vest when we get it back to use for our shift; the new vest would be a level 4, which is a lot safer; I would like to go home every day to my family; we have to respond to these calls with a lot of other equipment; with this new vest it would be attached to the vest; makes it easier; the vest is easy to get on and off in an emergency situation; it has a drag strap as well to help us pull our fellow officers to safety.

Leffler – how long will they last?

Officer Fortune – 10-20 years.

Rendon – we are taking guns off the street at a high rate.

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve critical incident ballistic system for Police Department. Roll Call: Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE DAVISON ROAD LOT #05-04-300-010 FOR PURCHASE FROM GENESEE COUNTY

Tallman – need to change Richfield to Davison Township.

Slezak – that will be corrected.

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve Davison Road lot #05-04-300-010 for purchase from Genesee County. Roll Call: Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-3 ALLOCATION OF ARPA FUNDS

Tallman – while I support, I don't like that the Supervisor has the right to spend the money.

Green – chair, correct me if I am wrong but anything over \$5k has to be brought to the board for approval.

Slezak – correct.

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY KARR to approve resolution 2023-3 allocation of ARPA funds. Roll Call: Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – no; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSS PARKS AND RECREATIONAL DEPARTMENT REVISED COMMITTEE BOARD

Slezak – advisory board change; 12 people signed up; talked with a couple people; the committee will be Michael T. Leffler – chairperson, Matthew Karr, Casey Reed, Dennis Worvie, Lorrie Pascoe, Kathy Kennedy, Dave Weir, and Lorrie Callis as a non-voting member.

Leffler – I will contact them and set a date and time.

Tallman – expanding? We're not voting on this; I'm confused; the agenda was to discuss parks and recreational department; email we received earlier from you today indicated that it

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was solely for setting meeting times; I sent email inquiring why we were setting times; literally was handed about 30 minutes ago the list of parks advisory board members; while I don't object to any of the members; I suggested to you that we have park advisory board or a subcommittee; we already have a parks advisory board in place and they are Matt, Tim, and Casey; this board was for the purpose of reviewing budget and expenditures; obviously this committee is in regards to Lake Callis situation; we are sort of expanding the committee; I don't know if we can do that without board approval; really has been just thrown at us.

Leffler – we are just sitting the committee.

Lattie – is this different than the previous board.

Slezak – we are adding some resident to the committee like was proposed in the last meeting.

MOTION BY LEFFLER, SECOND BY GREEN to approve the revised committee board members. Roll Call: Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – no; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried.

Karr - rules and regulations are going to be part of that.

Green – hope that the advisory board will look at it and make changes; it is unsustainable.

APPROVE GENESEE VALLEY VAULT

Place – we have to lay out all the plots and markers.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve Genesee Valley Vault in the amount of \$6,026.00 to lay out plots and markers. Roll Call: Green – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-6 FOR DETERMINATION TO MAKE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS;
APPROVAL OF PLANS AND ESTIMATE OF COST, FINAL DETERMINATION OF SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT & APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-7 TO SET PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE
THE STONEBROOK ESTATES STREET PAVING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT ROLL**

Karr – at some point we had someone from Genesee County Road Commission to come out and answer questions.

Lattie – you can but you will adjourn.

Karr – do you anticipate anyone from the Genesee County Road Commission to come.

Lattie – send another letter that we adjourn and will have another meeting.

Green – can you use ARPA funds to help?

Lattie – you are not actually contributing money to this; I will find out that; can you do a direct payment.

Green – I can't believe we put 50% in before.

Place – the highest is 25%.

Green – we have the residents that are asking for more help; table it and get Genesee County Road Commission to come to next meeting.

MOTION BY KARR; SECOND BY GREEN to adjourn until the next meeting August 14, 2023 @ 6 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER to adjourn at 9:56 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Jim Slezak, Supervisor

Michael T. Leffler, Clerk