

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2024**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Building Official Matt Place
Deputy Jerry Harris

OTHERS PRESENT: Nick Panchula, Teresa Cross, Andrea Johnson

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 agenda and move item number 13 up to 6a and adopt the January 8, 2024 agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PREVIOUS SPECIAL PARKS WORKSHOP BOARD MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 11, 2023

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve the December 11, 2023 special parks workshop board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 11, 2023

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve the December 11, 2023 board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PREVIOUS SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 19, 2023

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY LEFFLER to approve the December 19, 2023 special board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PLANTE MORAN AUDIT REPORT

Pam Hill, Ericka Stanley, and Jim Blondin – went over financial statement; spent 300/400 hours on this audit; rely on the numbers; highest level; went over governmental funds on page 13; went over page 27 with the short fall of construction code act that went in effect back almost 23 years ago; went over page 45 with the pension and OPEB; post audit; high level; lots of turnover in the Clerk’s Department; with the new Clerk, he has found issues and has been addressing them; works really hard at correcting everything.

Tallman – lots of discussion on moving to cashless; is there any objection to the Township on taking cash?

Pam Hill – we don’t tell you what to do; offsite locations need internal control; need to keep internal control in check.

Tallman – highlights and bullets points; unsustainable?

Pam Hill – supporting documents; we get that from management.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT (ATHERTON COUNTRY CLUB/LOMBARDA WOODS)

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Public comment period opened up at 6:15 p.m.

Nick Panchula – the first letter said \$840,000, now it says \$900,000; do we know the frontage; sections a, b, and c; I’m confused.

Lattie - \$840,000 is from the Genesee County Road Commission; we are going to split the bond cost between the other SAD that was approved; does not include any contribution from the Township of GCRC.

Teresa Cross - thank you for signing; truly horrible roads; prices will not come down; is there any grants or matching money?

Leffler – 9302 La Spezia and 9323 Claridge are wanting to withdraw their name from the petition.

Andrea Johnson – why is the number of parcels different; which is the correct number of parcels?

Slezak – it is 46 parcels; we had to take two of the parcels off due to them being on the last special assessment.

Public comment period closed at 6:22 p.m.

ADOPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-4 ATHERTON COUNTRY CLUB/LOMBARDA WOODS SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT ROLL; LIEN; PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLAN to adopt and approve resolution 2024-4 Atherton Country Club/Lombarda Woods Special Assessment District Roll; Lien; Payment and Collection of Special Assessment. Roll call: Green – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR GENESEE COUNTY 2025-2027 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Public comment period opened up at 6:23 p.m./Public comment period closed up at 6:24 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE GALE ROAD REPAVING PROJECT (RESOLUTION 2024-2 CDBG FUNDS FOR 2025-2027)

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve Resolution 2024-2 Gale Road Repaving Project (CDBG Funds for 2025-2027). Roll call: Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE SENIOR CENTER FURNANCES (RESOLUTION 2024-3 CDBG FUNDS FOR 2025-2027)

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER to approve Resolution 2024-3 Senior Center furnances (CDBG Funds for 2025-2027). Roll call: Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Plante Moran (Seven-Point Cybersecurity Assessment)

Slezak – everybody will be going through this in the near future; need to just look at it.

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TREASURER’S REPORT

Mr. Green presented the treasurer’s report as followed: total actual income for general is \$1,077,261.90; water and sewer \$743,899.84; tax \$1,909,739.31 with total receipts of \$3,730,901.05; budgeted for fiscal year 2023/2024 for general \$8,975,826.83 - expended year-to-date is \$3,715,883.80 with a balance of \$5,259,943.03; water and sewer is \$7,201,920.00 – expended year-to-date is \$2,496,067.94 with a balance of \$4,705,852.06.

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

APPROVE BOARD EXPENDITURES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve board expenditures in the amount of \$664,048.86 as presented. Roll Call: Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Supervisor’s Update - Slezak – Happy New Year.

Clerk’s Update – Leffler – February 27 presidential primary; 9-day early voting; Andrea is doing a great job; Jessica has been fantastic with her job duties; Brenda is doing great with elections; Lois has been a great help as well.

Police Update - Rendon – nothing to report.

Parks Update - Reed – trail of lights was over 3,000 participants; 500 for other programs; want to thank my staff for working really hard; working on spark grant; fire safety on January 26 in the Township auditorium.

Building Update - Slezak - December we issued 194 permits; total construction value of \$2,164,523.00; with revenue of \$37,764.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period opened at 6:33 p.m./The public comment period was closed at 6:33 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE THE RENEWAL AND NEW BOARD APPOINTMENTS

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY KARR to renew Annetta Wilbon term ending 12-31-2026; renew Bruce Calhoun term ending 12-31-2026; renew Paul Snyder term ending 12-31-2026; renew Rob Hollenback term ending 12-31-2026; and appoint Lorrie Pascoe to replace Corey Christensen with term ending 12-31-2025 to the Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SCEOND BY KARR to renew Joy Smith term ending 12-31-2026; renew Richard Hill term ending 12-31-2026; renew Eric Hernandez term ending 12-31-2026 to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried unanimously.

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MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY GREEN to renew Matthew Karr term ending 12-31-2025 to the Genesee County Metro Alliance. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY LEFFLER to renew Jim Slezak term ending 12-31-2026 to Fire Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY GREEN to renew Casey Clark term ending 12-31-2027; renew Tom Wright term ending 12-31-2027 to the DDA. Motion carried unanimously.

DAVISON TOWNSHIP CAPITALIZATION POLICY (ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY #2024-01-08)

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER to approve Davison Township Capitalization Policy (Administrative Policy #2024-01-08). Roll call: Green – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING BIDS SPARK GRANT

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY KARR to approve bid by Rowe for \$60,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Leffler – do they put anything out for maintenance?

Reed – it is supposed to last 20-years; we will have to flip out the courts.

Green – reads a letter from Bob Burley – Dear Davison Township Members: My name is Robert Burley; I have been a taxpayer in Davison Township for 50-years; I have always been proud of the Townships’ frugality with my money; that is until recently; it started with the construction cost of the Township Park, which was egregious, but that is for another day; now the ongoing yearly cost of running the park is equally egregious; the park deficit is approaching obnoxious absurdity; in short, it is simply wasteful; I repeat: simply wasteful; remember you are spending my money and I don’t like it; I implore you to change course, why? The reason is simple: the cost is too high; the benefit too small; again, I implore you to dramatically reduce the park’s bloated wasteful spending; thank you for your consideration.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Slezak, Supervisor

Michael T. Leffler, Clerk