

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Jim Slezak, Clerk Michael T. Leffler, Treasurer Tim R. Green, Trustee Matthew Karr, Trustee Lori Tallman
Building Official Matt Place
Recording Secretary Jami Vert
Parks and Rec Casey Reed

MEMBERS ABSENT: Attorney David Lattie

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Gould, Robin Reed, Riley Ferguson

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Davison Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 8:00 a.m. at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY LEFFLER to adopt the February 14, 2024 agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment opened up at 8:03 a.m./Public comment period closed at 8:03 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE RECREATIONAL PLAN

Board discussed about getting other bids next time to compare cost; will look at getting different bids on this recreational plan next time; what does the school benefit from joining in on this recreational plan; they have DCER and the playgrounds that they get grants for; we need to see if they can do every ten years and not five.

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY KARR to approve recreational plan with the Township portion being \$5k and for permission to have Supervisor Slezak to be able to sign. Roll Call: Green - yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE NOTICE TO REMOVE OBSTRUCTION FROM COUNTY DRAIN

Board discussed on the issue of a dam that was not approved by the County in the building site plan; needs to be removed; in violation with the County and possibly EGLE; we have 30-days to remove, it is usually only 10-days so the County already gave us an extension; talked with Tom Jones about getting an after the fact permit and was told that would not pass; Tom said we could possibly go to EGLE and ask for a permit to install this made-man dam at a later day, but was told we possibly would not get approved for that as well; taking this dam out our water level will go down about 2 feet; this affects the wetlands; why did it take 8 years to figure this out; this came about for applying for the grant to install pickleball courts; it will take about a 3-man crew to fix this; we do not want release it all at once as we will cause major flooding downstream to our residents.

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY LEFFLER to remove said obstruction from said Drain as presented in the notice to remove letter. Roll Call: Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Green –

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yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE NEW RECREATIONAL SOFTWARE

Board discussed the need for new parks software; the current software we had merged with daysmart and is not working up to par like we thought it would; went out and got some other bids for new software; civicplus looks like it should do everything we need it to do; there will be more training on this new software; the current software financial does not work with BS&A; did you get rates after 2-years?; current daysmart is about 4%, with civiplus it will be 5%; is there a current line-item to use for this?; yes; what would the cost be as of right now; it would be \$3,250 for the rest of this year, then starting fiscal year is would be the rest; is there a termination penalty?; no, we just have to give them a written 60-90 day notice; if we cut down on programs, do we still need this software?; depends on what we are doing; way too many programs are being offered with little to no profit; you are not adding all the expenses up when you give us these programs cost; we don't need a petting zoo; we don't have a petting zoo, we have a license from the State to be able to have some these reptiles and animals; we plan on moving Deanne over to the museum at least 2-days a week to be open; the museum has not been open since COVID; we are already over \$90k in your budget.

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY KARR to approve civicplus as the new recreational software in the amount of \$12,853.53 through 2025. Roll Call: Leffler – no; Tallman – yes; Green – no; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY LEFFLER to adjourn at 8:32 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Slezak, Supervisor

Michael T. Leffler, Clerk