

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 13, 2025**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Jim Slezak, Clerk Michael T. Leffler, Treasurer Travis Howell,  
Trustee Matthew D. Karr, Trustee Lori Tallman  
Chief of Police Jay Rendon  
Building Official Matt Place  
Recording Secretary Jami Vert  
Deputy Jerry Harris  
Attorney Bill Delzer  
Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** David Martin, Erik, Hillary Delong, Marilyn Alvey, Dave West, Keri Welsh,  
Ellen Leffler, Jason Crum, Tyler Dunklee, Laurie Mundy

**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 HOWELL, SECOND BY TALLMAN** to amend agenda and add item H to give \$2500 stipend to Deanna Barbe, Vanessa McCoy, Riley Ferguson, item I establish and fill park maintenance supervisor position, and item J closed session to discuss collective bargaining unit for maintenance supervisor position for parks. Motion carried.

**APPROVE PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 9, 2024**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER** to approve previous board minutes as presented with attachment added. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Howell presented the treasurer's report as follows: total actual income for general is \$864,562.81; water and sewer is \$692,062.58; tax is \$1,981,278.92; total receipts \$3,537,904.31.

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

**APPROVE BOARD EXPENDITURES**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER** to approve board expenditures in the amount of \$3,599,255.27 as presented. Roll Call: Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – no; Slezak – yes. Motion carried.

**INFORMATION**

David Martin – State Representative came and spoke about changes being made to help improve small businesses.

**ENTERPRISE PRESENTATION**

Eric – from Enterprise Fleet Management went over the packet to the board members.

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Board members asked their questions and Eric answered them.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Supervisor's Update - Slezak – had a GAIN meeting for the first time in a while; for the fiscal year 2023-2024 they had 169 arrests; 75 arrest warrants; 428 recoveries; \$7,821,000 in recoveries; 171 flock recoveries; \$3,815,544 in recoveries; with an average of vehicles reported stolen in Genesee County is .6 daily; and an average of number of vehicles recovered in Genesee County .9.

Clerk's Update – Leffler – all Township employees will be getting their tax papers in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week; new time clocks will be getting installed as the company was bought out by a bigger company.

Police Update – end of the year 2024 Township Police report we had 179 Part I crimes; 795 Part II crimes; 860 non-criminal reports; 517 traffic crashes: 104 injury accidents, nonfatal; 627 arrests; 2.280 traffic stops; 625 citations, 13,822 residential checks, 15,587 business checks; would like to introduce our new Police Chaplin Jason Crum from Davison. (Jason Crum – thank you for allowing me to serve as Police Chaplin; nice to meet everyone; I was willing to help; looking forward to what GOD has in store; did a ride along as well.)

Parks Update - Reed – wrapped up trail of lights; now working on taking down lights; field trips; multiple programs; rentals; water testing; busy working on spark grant; it is grant season; working on finishing master plan and once done will post to the website; events are coming up; one is Ireland's Dream; twilight trails; seasonal employment will be starting soon.

Building Update - Place – December we had 17 permits; total billed \$4,258.00; with a total construction value of \$211,257.00; panda express was approved at the Planning Commission, they will be going in the spot of the two vacant houses on M-15, those houses will be torn down; a big box retailer was officially approved, under a NDA so the name will not be released at this time.

**TOUR POLICE AND TOWNSHIP OFFICES**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public comment period opened at 7:21 p.m.

Member of the Township voiced their opinion on being transparent; don't need a new building; the police department does need more space; it is my money you are spending; they want to be part of the decision on saying if we get a new building or not; need to advertise more; community input; has the board looked at all the options; build on to this place; don't need 40 acres for a small building; talk about transparency but yet we never get actual numbers for anything that happens in the parks; this is the worst police station I have ever seen; we have to change that; not acceptable for any of our Township employees to be working in those conditions; there is too much overcrowding; not enough work space; not even a shower to clean up if an accident happens when on the job for the police; you can not expand on this building; do not polish a turd.

The public comment period was closed at 7:49 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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**APPROVE ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT**

**MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY LEFFLER** to approve Enterprise Fleet Management for our fleet vehicles. Roll call: Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE GENESEE VALLEY VAULT NEW PRICES**

The board discussed that they need to up our prices \$25 to cover the cost of the increase or we will lose money.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL** to approve the new price increase from Genesee Valley Vault as well as adding an additional \$25 to our prices. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE CONSUMERS' ENERGY RESOLUTION FOR PLEASANT WOOD SUBDIVISION STREET LIGHTS**

**MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY HOWELL** to approve resolution for Consumers Energy for Pleasant Wood Subdivision Street Lights. Roll call: Karr – yes; Leffler – no; Tallman – yes; Howell – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried.

**APPROVE ANDREWS TECHNOLOGY**

Discussion on getting three punch clock terminals; one for the township side, police side, and the parks.

**MOTION BY LEFFLER, SECOND BY KARR** to approve the amount of \$15,155.00 for three new punch clock terminals. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE REZONING PARCEL ID #05-15-551-002, CASE #16-RZ-106**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER** to approve the rezoning of parcel id #05-15-551-002, case #16-RZ-106. Motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSS AND APPROVE NEW TOWNSHIP BUILDING**

Not yet approved, having a special township building workshop on Saturday, February 1, 2025 @ 10 a.m.

**APPROVE WETLAND MITIGATION CREDITS**

**MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY KARR** to approve the wetland credits in the amount of \$283,800.00 payable over 3 years if we still have the option with no interest added. Roll call: Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE \$2500 STIPEND FOR DEANNA BARBE, VANESSA MCCOY, RILEY FERGUSON**

**MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY TALLMAN** to approve a one-time stipend of \$2500 for Deanne Barbe, Vanessa McCoy, Riley Ferguson. Tabled until after the closed session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY LEFFLER** to go into closed session to discuss wages, potential attorney opinion for parks maintenance supervisor position. Roll call: Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously. The closed session opened at 8:44 p.m.

**MOTION BY LEFFLER, SECOND BY KARR** to come out of closed session. Roll call: Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. The closed session closed at 9:32 p.m.

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**APPROVE \$2500 STIPEND FOR DEANNA BARBE, VANESSA MCCOY, RILEY FERGUSON**

**MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY TALLMAN** to approve a one-time \$2500 stipend for parks employees Deanna Barbe, Vanessa McCoy, and Riley Ferguson. Roll call: Tallman – yes; Leffler – no; Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – no. Motion carried.

**APPROVE AND ESTABLISH MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR POSITION FOR PARKS AND CREATE JOB DESCRIPTION SUBJECT TO UNION AGREEMENT AND NEGOTIATION OF WAGES.**

**MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY TALLMAN** to establish maintenance supervisor position for parks and create job description subject to union agreement and negotiation of wages. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY LEFFLER** to adjourn at 9:36 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Jim Slezak, Supervisor

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Michael T. Leffler, Clerk