

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 6th, 2025**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Matthew Thorpe, John Krueger, Melissa Lipka, Jamie Lipka, Andrea Williams, Ken Williams, Trish Smith, Bob Smith, Sharon Palis, Mathew Crane, Wendy Crane, Robin Stepp, Mike Stepp, Cheryl Campbell, Bruce Campbell, Daniel Spalthoff, Mindy Spalthoff

CALL TO ORDER

The Davison Township Board was called to order at 6:00 p.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 KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL to adopt the October 6, 2025, agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve the previous board minutes for September 8, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PREVIOUS CLOSED SESSION BOARD MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8,2025

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve the minutes from the closed session meeting on September 8, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Howell presented the treasurer's report as follows: total income for general is \$474,114.49; water and sewer \$804,393.97; tax \$2,666,450.65 with total receipts of \$3,944,959.11.

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 \$8,176,279.17 as presented. Roll Call: Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman -- yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Supervisor's Update - Slezak – There is still construction happening on Irish Road. The State has passed their budget, one of the main things we will be looking at for next year is the cut to our revenue sharing. They cut 6.3%. We will lose close to \$103k on our budget. This will be dispersed between the road commission and some other parts of our state budget. We also have a cut in public safety. This amounts to \$13,333.

Clerk's Update – Leffler – November 4th election starts in 4 weeks from tomorrow. We are going to start counting absentee ballots the day before that; we have already received over 1,000 ballots back. 3 audits have been completed; this has been the best job that we have ever done as far as my office goes. Andrea Schaal and Jessica Harmon did fantastic jobs on the audits; we have received nothing but compliments from the auditors. The Senior Center draft has been done; we are waiting on a debrief from Kathy. The Fire Authority is scheduled for October 23rd and the Township audit will be presented at our November 10th board meeting.

Police Update - Rendon – I'd like to speak about the events at the Grand Blanc church last Sunday. I immediately sent out a text asking for all available officers to arrive on scene. In total we had 9 Davison Township Police Officers at the scene. 2 of our officers, Tyler Dunklee and Spencer Zecchini, arrived on scene so quickly that each of them entered the burning church. Spencer found a victim and dragged him out however he was already deceased from a gunshot. Both of those officers were later treated from smoke inhalation at local hospitals. Our officers took part in shutting down traffic and crowd control. One of our officers flew a drone. Two of our officers including myself cleaned the blood off of the shooters hands and used our fingerprint scanner to make a positive identification of the shooter. Our officers then broke from that scene and assisted in securing two other locations for further investigation; one on South Gale Rd in Atlas Township and the other on the 12000 block of Lapeer. These addresses were visited earlier in the morning by the shooter. We held a debriefing later that day for the officers that responded. I'm proud to say we had 11 officers respond without hesitation. It was a very active event.

Parks Update - Reed – September was a busy month; we had 41 programs with over 700 people that attended. We started up the nature preschool with the GSRP program, this is at Williams Park once a week. They have 70 participants that came to our open house. We had Ireland's Dream at Lake Callis over the weekend with close to 250 runners. We had 15 facility usages. We are moving forward in the grant, we are in the final stages and it should be wrapped up by the end of this month. The Soper Center bids are due tomorrow at 10am. Trail of Lights tickets are now on sale. We will be at multiple trunk or treats this month. The city's trunk or treat is this Friday from 6-8, the Hub has theirs this Sunday from 3-6, the library is doing a model A trunk or treat on the 18th from 12-3 and the Cottage Inn trunk or treat on the 29th from 6-8.

Building Update - Place – September we issued 38 permits; total construction value of \$2,688,055.00; with revenue of \$30,908.00. El Cozumel has scheduled their final inspection for this Wednesday and will be open shortly. I will be retiring at the end of November. Thank you to the board for the years of service and employment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period opened at 6:11 p.m.

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Jaimie Lipka – 2083 Mozart Ave – Summerwood HOA President that encases 53 families. Spoke about issues with developer that purchased the condos and homes. He is asking the township to step in.

Delzer spoke and explained that the previous attorney, David Lattie, filed a lawsuit against the developer. He explained that things are in action and progressing forward.

The public comment period was closed at 6:17 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-17 FOR CONSUMERS ENERGY (DAVISON & IRISH RD STREET LIGHT)

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve resolution 2025-17. Roll Call: Karr – yes; Slezak – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Howell –yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR GRIFFIN LAKE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2025-12

Public comment opened at 6:19pm.

Public comment closed at 6:20pm.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve resolution 2025-12. Roll Call: Leffler –yes; Tallman – yes; Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP)

Slezak: This is basically a wish list for the township on things we want done in the future. We can remove or add to it. If we get any state or federal fundings, we have this list. Some of the items on this list are: new township municipal center for police and employees, sewer line installed on Lippincott and Oak Rd, install sidewalks from Clark St to Davison Rd, widen Davison Rd from Davison City limit to Oak Rd, Widen Lapeer Rd from M-15 to Russell Alger Dr and install a roundabout at the intersection of Davison Rd and Oak Rd.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve the Capital Improvement Plan as presented.

Tallman: Have we gotten anything back from the architect regarding the new building?

Slezak: We should hopefully have numbers by next meeting.

Tallman: I just want to make it clear that it's not a decision about a new building it's just in some fashion, a new structure.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE HIRE NEW POLICE OFFICER

We have officer Chris Miller; he has been an officer at Flint Twp for over 12 years. He has been on the GAIN task force and will be a great addition to the Davison Twp Police Department. We had hired 4 officers in December and of the 4, only 2 are still on duty. Chris will be a replacement for one of the officers that is no longer in the department.

MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY KARR to approve the hire of the new police officer for the police department.

Leffler: When would he start, Jay?

Rendon: First pay period in November.

Tallman: Any plans for the other open position?

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Rendon: We thought we had a good candidate but he backed out. We are going to wait a few months and revisit it.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR GARBAGE SPECIAL ASSESMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2025-14

Public comment opened at 6:26pm.

Public comment was made by 1 individual asking if this is an increase or not and if we have been getting complaints about the garbage company.

Public comment closed at 6:30pm.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to adopt resolution 2025-14. Roll Call: Tallman – yes; Howell – yes; Karr – yes; Leffler – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR STREET LIGHT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2025-13

Public comment opened at 6:30pm.

Public comment was made by 1 individual asking where the lights will be going.

Public comment closed at 6:31pm.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to adopt resolution 2025-13. Roll Call: Slezak – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Howell – yes; Karr – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE NEW COPIER CONTRACT

Slezak: We are currently month to month with Ricoh and the payments are higher. We pay about \$2300-\$2400. The service has not been the best. With both of these new vendors, we will have a color copier in the Clerk's and Treasurer's Department. We have bids from Applied and Toshiba. Both prices range in the \$1,700 range and they charge extra for copies over 20,000 per month.

Howell: Do both of them have local individuals that come if we have issues?

Slezak: They both do, yes. They both serve Genesee County.

Karr: How do these contracts compare to the one we currently have cost wise?

Slezak: They are both cheaper. It can range month to month depending on how many copies are made. These are 63-month leases.

Tallman: The copier rate is locked in for both?

Slezak: Yes. They are both good companies. Jami works with them a lot and she prefers Applied. The rep from Applied has been coming in for the past 2 years.

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY KARR to approve the copier contract for Applied Innovation.

Leffler: Can they wait until December 1st so we can get through the election?

Slezak: They wouldn't come in for 30 days.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR FIRE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2025-15

Public comment opened at 6:38pm.

Public comment closed at 6:39pm.

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MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve resolution 2025-15. Roll Call: Howell – yes, Karr – yes; Slezak – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR POLICE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2025-16

Public comment opened at 6:40pm.

Public comment closed at 6:41pm.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL to adopt resolution 2025-16. Roll Call: Karr – yes; Slezak – yes; Leffler – yes; Tallman – yes; Howell – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 6:41pm.

Jim Slezak, Supervisor

Michael T. Leffler, Clerk