

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 15, 2018**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Tim Elkins, Clerk Cindy Shields, Treasurer Pat Miller, Trustee Matthew Karr

Attorney David Lattie

Chief of Police Rick Freeman

Zoning/Planning Administrator Charm Healy

Building Official Matt Place

P.Z.A.OS. CE Jeremy Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: John & Julia Allen, Jim Dowsett, Carol Dowsett, Charlie Hilgendorf, David Stephens, Nick Panchula, John Minto, Robert Hilgendorf, Lynn Sheet, Ronald Simmons, Travis Howell, Denice Wagner, John Krueger, Diane Beecher, Lori Tallman, Dave Shields, Jim Morey, Mo Aboneaaj, Connie Elkins, Matthew Smith

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Davison Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Davison Township Municipal Building, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423 and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to adopt the October 15, 2018 agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the September 5, 2018 special board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve the September 10, 2018 regular board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the September 26, 2018 special board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Miller gave the September, 2018 Treasurer's report with a total receipts of \$3,091,449.67 and the Quarterly report with a total of \$4,470.40 interest earned.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SHIELDS to accept the September, 2018 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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APPROVE BOARD BILLS

Mr. Elkins gave the September, 2018 Board Bills with a total expenditures of \$4,587,649.95.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY KARR to approve the payment of September, 2018 board bills as presented. Roll call: Yes – Elkins, Miller, Shields, Karr. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period was opened at 7:03 p.m.

- Jim Dowsett requested another look at a solar farm for the property just north and east and west of the railroad tracks.
- Ron Simmons and Charlie Hilgendorf owners of the property just north and east of the railroad tracks were in favor of the suggestion.

The public comment period was closed at 7:13 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Solarwood Street Lighting Resolution

Cindy explained that on October 9, 2018 a townhall meeting was held for the residents of Solarwood subdivision. Questions about where the lights would be placed and if trees were to be removed were answered. A statement from a resident about reducing the amount of lights would not benefit the entire subdivision and it was agreed upon to keep the original plans and go forward.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve Special Assessment District Resolution #2018-9-10A for Lighting District as presented. Roll call: Yes – Miller, Shields, Karr, Elkins. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Set Public Hearing for Police Special Assessments

It was suggested to hold the public hearing on November 19, 2018 for the Police Special Assessment at 7:10 p.m.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY KARR to set the Public Hearing for Police Special Assessments for November 19, 2018 at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Public Hearing for Garbage Special Assessments

It was suggested to hold the public hearing on November 19, 2018 for the Garbage Special Assessment at 7:15 p.m.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to set the Public Hearing for Garbage Special Assessments for November 19, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Set Public Hearing for Griffin Lake Special Assessments

It was suggested to hold the public hearing on November 19, 2018 for the Griffin Lake Special Assessment at 7:20 p.m.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY SHIELDS to set the Public Hearing for Griffin Lake Special Assessments for November 19, 2018 at 7:20 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee appointment discussion

Cindy stated that on September 10, 2018, the board solicited for residents to apply for the open Trustee position. It is the Board's statutory duty to fill the vacancy within forty-five (45) days by appointment. Seven residents completed and returned packets detailing their skills, experience and interest. Each Board member received copies of the candidate's submissions for consideration. She recommended Travis Howell for the position.

Pat said that he created five points that he graded the applicants on. It was a difficult decision to make but the one that continued to rise to the top mirrored the other board members findings. This person will have to run for their job again in two years and this will be the test to the community.

Cindy said that she too created a rating system and each candidate had the same leadership skills, analytical skills and service, but the positivity and service Travis has shown throughout the community really stood out and that's why she made the choice she made.

Matthew said he too had a hard time but it came down to two candidates and, based on individual conversation with each board member, it wasn't difficult to see we were all heading in the same direction.

Tim said thank you to all that applied. It shows we have a great community that wants to be involved. It helps us to create a strong board that works well for Davison residents. The outcome, as you can see, is the township has created a lot of great things the community can be proud of.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to appoint Travis Howell as the Trustee to fill the vacancy with term ending November, 2020. Roll call: Yes – Miller, Shields, Karr, Elkins. Motion carried.

Travis was sworn in for the position of Trustee and joined the board at the dais.

Approve resolution for BOR to accept protests by letter

Jeremy explained that this resolution will allow the residents to file his or her protest before the Board of Review by letter without a personal appearance. This is an additional requirement for the upcoming AMAR audit by the State of Michigan.

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MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Resolution for Board of Review to accept protest by letter as presented. Roll call: Yes- Shields, Karr, Elkins, Miller, Howell. Motion carried.

Approve recommendations to rezoning of various parcels

Jeremy explained that during the process of updating the Master Plan, the Planning Commissioners recommended some zoning map changes. These recommendations are one of the final steps by the Planning Commission after a several month process of updating the Master Plan. On September 12, 2018, the Planning Commission made recommendations on the following parcels:

- Case #16-RZ-80 - Rezoning parcel 05-04-300-009 from RU-1 (Residential Urban) and RM-1 (Residential Multi-low density) to RU-1. This is a recommended for approval due to the changes within the revised text of the RU-1 district that allows more flexibility in housing types.

Nick Panchula stated that changing the zoning could cause an effect on the sale of the property. There was discussion about getting a Special Condition Use for multiple housing and giving the Planning Commission more control on what is built in that area.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve Case #16-RZ-80 rezoning parcel 05-04-300-009 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Shields, Howell, Miller, No- Elkins, Karr. Motion carried.

- Case #16-RZ-83 – Rezoning parcel 05-17-200-007 from RM-1 (Residential Multi-low density) to RU-1 (Residential Urban). This was recommended to be rezoned due to it being incorrectly color coded on the zoning map.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve Case #16-RZ-83 rezoning parcel 05-17-200-007 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Elkins, Karr, Howell, Miller, Shields. Motion carried.

- Case #16-RZ-84 – Rezoning parcels 05-17-200-006 and 05-17-200-008 from RU-1 (Residential Urban) and RM-1 (Residential Multi-low density) to RU-1 (Residential Urban). This was recommended to be rezoned due to it being incorrectly color coded on the zoning map.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve Case #16-RZ-84 rezoning parcel 05-17-200-006 & 05-17-200-008 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Karr, Howell, Miller, Shields, Elkins. Motion carried.

- Case #16-RZ-85 – Rezoning parcel 05-17-626-010 and 05-17-626-011 from RM-1 (Residential Multi-low density) to RU-1 (Residential Urban). This was recommended to be rezoned due to it being incorrectly color coded on the zoning map.

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MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve Case #16-RZ-85 rezoning parcels 05-17-626-010 & 05-17-626-011 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Howell, Miller, Shields, Elkins, Karr. Motion carried.

- Case #16-RZ-81 – Rezoning parcel 05-15-300-008 and 05-15-300-009 from RU-1 (Residential Urban) to MX (Mixed Use). This was recommended for denial due to residents stating their concerns during the meeting and no need for the rezoning at this time.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve denial of Case #16-RZ-81 rezoning parcels 05-15-300-008 & 05-15-300-009 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Miller, Shields, Elkins, Karr, Howell. Motion carried.

Personnel Committee Recommendation for Deputy Chief Position

The Chief of Police has asked the Personnel Committee to reinstate the Deputy Chief position. The Personnel Committee would like to make that recommendation to the Board.

There was discussion about the last time the position was filled, how we have the current Chief because of this position and what is the process.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Personnel Committee recommendation to reinstate the Deputy Chief position as presented. Roll call: Yes – Elkins, Miller, Shields, Howell, Karr. Motion carried.

FUTURE BUSINESS

None

BOARD COMMENTS

Pat spoke about the Davison Chamber of Commerce Harvest Auction to take place on Thursday, October 18, 2018. Proceeds will go toward Scholarships for Davison High School Seniors.

Cindy reminded the audience of the upcoming election in November.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to convene to Executive Session to discuss the possible sale of township property at 7:47 p.m. Roll call: Yes – Miller, Shields, Howell, Karr, Elkins. Motion carried.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY KARR to reconvene to Regular Session at 8:14 p.m. Roll call: Yes – Shields, Elkins, Karr, Howell, Miller. Motion carried.

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MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Supervisor to move forward with the survey, split and return to the board with a recommended sale price before listing parcel 05-03-100-018 with a realtor. Motion carried.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve the Supervisor to move forward and return to the board with a recommended sale price for the listing of parcel 05-003-100-018 with a realtor. Motion carried.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Supervisor to move forward and return to the board with a recommended sale price for the listing of parcel 05-07-400-030 with a realtor. Motion carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITMES

- GAIN updates
- DCER Financial Reports
- Minutes from other boards
- Pat sold 2 vehicles today
- Buckeye Pipeline is working on a line next to I-69

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Cindy K. Shields, Clerk

Timothy W. Elkins, Supervisor