

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
October 7, 2019**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Tim Elkins, Clerk Cindy Shields, Treasurer Pat Miller,  
Trustees Matthew Karr and Travis Howell

Chief of Police Rick Freeman

Planning/Zoning Admin. Jeremy Smith

Building Official Matt Place

Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Michelle Glenn-Mott CC., Norm Fischer, John Krueger, Donn  
Halleck, Freeman Saumier

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ADOPT THE AGENDA**

Mr. Elkins asked the board to add Item G: "Name the outdoor classroom at Williams Park" to the agenda.

**MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL** to accept the agenda with requested addition as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL** to approve the September 9, 2019 regular board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL** to approve the September 18, 2019 special meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Miller gave the total September, 2019 receipts as \$2,989,000.57 from the collection of general funds, water and sewer funds and tax funds.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SHIELDS** to accept the September, 2019 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE BOARD BILLS**

Mr. Elkins gave the total bills listing through October 7, 2019, in the amount of \$5,754,124.96.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL** to approve payment of bills through October 7, 2019, as presented. Roll call: Yes- Miller, Shields, Elkins, Karr, Howell. Motion carried.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public comment period was opened at 7:03 pm.

Norm Fisher-2216 Oak Shade Dr., talked about Proposal A, street lights, the police millage and special assessment and the testing of his water. He offered the results of the water testing when he received it.

The public comment period was closed at 7:07 pm.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Mott Community College Presentation**

Michelle Glenn, Mott Community College's Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs, gave a brief presentation of the Strategic Plan for 2019-2021. She reviewed their Mission Statement, the number of students, the economic impact, other renovations, priorities, the student and employee successes, workforce partnerships, sustainability with expanding, engaging and communicating and annual budget and revenues. They have a new Culinary Arts Institute, and the Lenore Croudy Family Life Center located at the former Woodside Church.

**Public Hearing for Police Special Assessment, Resolution 2019-29**

The Public Hearing for the Police Special Assessment was opened at 7:19 p.m. Mr. Elkins read information from the proposed resolution which is to approve the establishment of the Police Special Assessment District for the purpose of paying a portion of the cost for police protection on a township-wide basis. The public hearing is to allow residents and property owners to object to the assessment in person at the hearing, by letter, or by email and received by the Township Clerk prior to the close of said public hearing in order to reserve the right to appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An appeal to the Tax Tribunal must be filed within 30 days of the confirmation of the assessment roll.

There were two emails objecting to the Police Special Assessment by:

Chris Charters – 8989 Championship Drive and  
Lori Long – 8989 Championship Drive.

The public hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m.

**MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER** to adopt Resolution 2019-29 for the Police Special Assessment as presented. Roll call: Yes- Shields, Elkins, Karr, Howell, Miller. Motion carried.

**Public Hearing for Garbage Special Assessment, Resolution 2019-30**

The Public Hearing for the Garbage Special Assessment opened at 7:21 p.m. Mr. Elkins said the proposed Special Assessment is for the purpose of paying garbage collection costs on a township-wide basis. The cost is a pass-through from Emterra directly to benefited residents. The public hearing is to allow residents and property owners to object to the assessment in

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person at the hearing, by letter, or by email and received by the Township Clerk prior to the close of said public hearing in order to reserve your right to appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An appeal to the Tax Tribunal must be filed within 30 days of the confirmation of the assessment roll.

There was one email objecting to the Garbage Special Assessment by:

Lori Long – 8989 Championship Drive.

The public hearing was closed at 7:22 p.m.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL** to adopt Resolution 2019-30 for the Garbage Special Assessment as presented. Roll call: Yes- Elkins, Karr, Howell, Miller, Shields. Motion carried.

**Public Hearing for Griffin Lake Special Assessment, Resolution 2019-31**

The Public Hearing for Griffin Lake Special Assessment opened at 7:23 p.m. Mr. Elkins stated this is for the purpose of aquatic weed control for Lots 4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-13-14-15-16 on Griffin Lakewood Estates Plat and Parcels 05-16-400-016 and 05-16-400-017. The public hearing is to allow residents and property owners to object to the assessment in person at the hearing, by letter, or by email and received by the Township Clerk prior to the close of said public hearing in order to preserve your right to appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An appeal to the Tax Tribunal must be filed within 30 days of the confirmation of the assessment roll. There were no comments or objections and the hearing was closed at 7:24 p.m.

**MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SHIELDS** to adopt Resolution 2019-31 for the Griffin Lake Special Assessment as presented. Roll call: Yes – Karr, Howell, Miller, Shields, Elkins. Motion carried.

**Consumers Energy Street Light Contract Changes**

Mr. Elkins explained that Consumers Energy has been changing the street lights from High-Pressure Sodium lights to LED lights. The changes have been occurring since October, 2018. Form 547 is for the removal of High-Pressure Sodium lights with Resolution 2019-32 and Form 548 if for the installation of LED lights with Resolution 2019-33.

**MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER** to approve the Supervisor's signature on Forms 547 and 548 and the Clerk's signature on Resolution 2019-32 and 2019-33. Motion carried unanimously.

**2019/2020 Budget Amendment for overpayment to 2018-2019 Police Special Assessment**

Mr. Elkins explained that an error was found by the auditors to the Police Special Assessment District in 2018. The amendment is for the interest on the total refund in the amount of \$735.84.

**MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY KARR** to approve the Proposed Budget Amendment as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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**Naming of the Outdoor Classroom**

Casey stated that the outdoor classroom will be finished by the first of November and asked the board to vote on naming it the Kurt & Marjorie Soper Nature Center. She will order the sign and have it mounted by the opening of the building.

**MOTION BY ELKINS, SECOND BY HOWELL** to name the outdoor classroom the Kurt & Marjorie Soper Nature Center. Motion carried unanimously.

**FUTURE BUSINESS**

None

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Pat mentioned the annual Scholarship Auction held by the Davison Area Chamber of Commerce taking place on October 17, 2019 at the Davison Country Club, doors open at 5:30 pm.

Cindy said the MERS Conference went well; one highlight was that MERS is investing in real property during this time of market volatility, one of which is an avocado farm. Anyone shopping at Costco or Sam's and buys a bag of avocados is buying a MERS investment!

Tim stated on October 7 & 8<sup>th</sup> will be Cemetery Clean Up Days.

Casey said she received the \$4,000 check from Ben Callis Comedy Show. This funding allowed them to purchase the all access swing for Lake Callis.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Consumers Energy Public Service Commission Hearing  
Comcast Updates  
Other Board minutes

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

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Cindy K. Shields, Clerk

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Timothy W. Elkins, Supervisor