

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 18,
2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Jim Slezak, Treasurer Tim Green, Trustee Lori Tallman,
Trustee Matt Karr

Chief of Police Jay Rendon

Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed

Attorney David Lattie

Deputy Chief Jerry Harris

Recording Secretary Jami Vert

MEMBERS ABSENT: Building Official Matt Place

OTHERS PRESENT: Stephanie Thomas, Karen Shields, Rick Freeman, Mo Aboneaaj

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Davison Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00 pm at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423. A roll call was done and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY KARR to adopt the October 18, 2021 agenda. Remove Letter G and add Letter L for Senior Center Board Resolution. Tallman asked for the exception to change the public comment period from 2 minutes back to 3 minutes for individuals and for group to move from 4 minutes to 5 minutes. We approve the agenda with the two changes and without the change in the length of time. Motion carried. 3 to 1.

PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve the September 13, 2021 regular board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

MOTION BY GREEN; SECOND BY SLEZAK to approve the August 9, 2021 closed session board meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

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MOTION BY KARR, SECOND SLEZAK to approve the September 13, 2021 closed session board meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

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TREASURER’S REPORT

Mr. Green gave the Treasurer’s Report for September 2021 with the total revenues of \$2,929,307.65. Actual income from General is \$59,769.51, Water and Sewer is \$777,187.82, Tax is \$2,092,350.32. The expenditures for General’s year to date is \$1,923,249.61 which is 22.60% expended. The expenditures for Water and Sewer’s year to date is \$1,644,529.44 which is 23.11% expended. The Board was notified today that the monthly medical premiums are going up from \$64,835.03 to 70,450.12 for active employees, dental is going from \$5,276.68 to \$5,725.10 which is an increase in \$5,381.04 annual. All together that is an increase in \$72,762.12 (8.65% increase) for medical and dental starting the beginning of the year.

MOTION BY SLEZAK; SECOND BY KARR to approve the September 2021 Treasurer’s Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE BOARD EXPENDITURES

Mr. Slezak gave the Board Expenditures Report for August 5, 2021 through September 9, 2021 with the total expenses of \$5,680,216.70.

MOTION BY KARR; SECOND BY SLEZAK to approve payment of the Board Expenditures as presented. Roll Call: Green – yes; Slezak – yes; Karr – yes; Tallman - yes; Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Supervisor’s Update – election coming up in two weeks.

Police Update – one trunk or treat so far, and we have two more coming up this week and one more the next week; going to join the no-shave-November and donate to a charity.

Parks Update – begin winterization of the parks; had a couple events; Queens and Princess ball back in September; past weekend we had Ireland’s Dream; trunk-or-treat coming up this Friday at Lake Callis from 4-7:30 P.P. with pre-registration; activities next week decorate the trail of lights; lost two employees since last meeting; they took on higher paying jobs; started this past week with field trips to Williams; asked by the Davison Community Fund to take over there Vice Chair position come January 1, 2022.

Building Update – for September issued 32 building permits; construction value of \$685,505.00; total cost of permits \$8,791.00.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING FOR POLICE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2021-6

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve resolution 2021-6 for Police Special Assessment. Roll Call – Tallman – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes; Green - yes. Motion carried unanimously. Public comment opened up at 6:10 P.M./closed at 6:10 P.M.

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PUBLIC HEARING FOR FIRE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2021-7

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve resolution 2021-7 for Fire Special Assessment. Roll Call – Green – yes; Karr – yes; Slezak – yes; Tallman - yes. Motion carried unanimously. Public comment opened up at 6:12 P.M./closed at 6:12 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR GARBAGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2021-5

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve resolution 2021-5 for Garbage Special Assessment. Roll Call – Slezak – yes; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Tallman – yes. Motion carried unanimously. Public comment opened up at 6:13 P.M./closed at 6:13 P.M.

Karr - asked if the price was the same as last year?

Slezak – yes, same per parcel as last year.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR STREET LIGHT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2021-9

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve resolution 2021-9 for Street Light Special Assessment. Roll Call – Green – yes; Slezak – yes; Karr – yes; Tallman – yes. Motion carried unanimously. Public comment opened up at 6:14 P.M./closed at 6:15 P.M.

Resident – what are they going to do differently this year?

Slezak – went through with the auditors and found out last year was not done correctly, over \$10,000 was not billed out to the public, so we are putting it where it should be at this year.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR GRIFFIN LAKE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: TO INCLUDE APPROVAL FOR RESOLUTION 2021-8

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY GREEN to approve resolution 2021-8 for Griffin Lake Special Assessment. Roll Call - Tallman – yes; Karr – yes; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously. Public comment opened up at 6:16P.M./closed at 6:16 P.M.

APPROVE NEW DDA MEMBERS

Slezak – we are replacing two current DDA members that are/have stepped down; Kurtis McMahan will be replacing William Clancy term ending 12/31/2023; Mo Aboneaaj replacing Norb Shubert term ending 12/31/2024.

Karr – can we do two separate motions?

Lattie – they are two different term endings?

Slezak – yes.

Lattie – can you do two different motions?

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Slezak – yes.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SLEZAK to appoint Kurtis McMahan to DDA term ending 12/31/2023. Roll Call – Green – yes; Slezak – yes; Karr – yes; Tallman - yes

Tallman – requested if these were the only two applicants?

Slezak – yes, these are the only ones for the DDA. I have others for the Planning Commission, but we are not appointing them at this time.

Tallman – okay, thank you.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to appoint Mo Aboneaaj to DDA term ending 12/31/2024. Roll Call – Slezak – yes; Green – yes; Karr – yes; Tallman - yes

APPROVE HEALTH INSURANCE CHANGE FOR RETIREES 2021-2022

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY SLEZAK to approve health insurance change for retirees 2021-2022.

Tallman – based on the legal decision provided I’m confused there were a group of retirees not able to make that change.

Slezak – over 65?

Tallman – well I don’t know who is in that group, that was not specified in the legal decision and change that without clarification; it don’t matter to me if they are not over 65, based on the legal opinion to change health coverage; if we get consent from them, then we could.

Slezak – what page?

Tallman – page 6, board may not make changes to medical, dental and vision benefits provided to employees/elected officials who were hired/elected prior to July 1, 2017 who retired under the current version of Ordinance 12- Section One.

Slezak – just from all the conversation from the legal attorney it was fine; Lattie I’ll ask your legal opinion.

Lattie – you have opinion based on the Ordinance; just talking about the retirees that are affected by the Ordinance; interesting when looking at the opinion; there is no designation for those going on Medicare; those retiree under the previous Ordinance; need more clarification on the legal opinion.

Karr – same issue on what she was getting at; need clarification.

Lattie – did you have discussion with her on that Mr. Chair?

Slezak – she said it was fine to go, I’ve had several discussions with over the past week.

Tallman – the opinion was very well organized and laid out; it does not specify out over 65 or under 65; do they go on Medicare; goes through different categories; conclusion whether we

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can do it without their consent.

Slezak – if I have her call you directly will that be fine?

Tallman – yes.

Karr – it is just contradicting what she is stating.

Lattie – do you want me to step out and call her?

Slezak – that will be fine if you would want to do that.

Lattie – spoke with Guri and he stated we should go into closed session to ask questions.

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY TALLMAN to go into closed session to discuss a written attorney opinion. Roll Call – Green – yes; Slezak – yes; Karr – yes; Tallman – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed session began 6:42 P.M./Closed session stopped at 7:15 P.M.

MOTION BY GREEN, SECOND BY SLEZAK to retract the Retirees Health Insurance changes at this point and time.

Slezak – we are going to do a little more research and get more facts.

APPROVE RECOMMENDATION TO HIRE RILEY FERGUSON TO FILL VACANT PARK MAINTENANCE POSITION

Karr – did his drug screen come back?

Slezak – yes.

Karr – at \$16.50?

Slezak – yes, that was fine.

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY KARR to approve the hire of Riley Ferguson to fill the vacant maintenance position at \$16.50/hour. Roll Call – Tallman – yes; Karr – yes; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE RECOMMENDATION OF CASE #16-RZ-98 – DCC CONSTRUCTION – A REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL #25-05-15-100-027 FROM GC (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO M-1 (LIMITED MANUFACTURING)

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY TALLMAN to approve recommendation of Case #16-RZ-98 – DCC Construction – to rezone parcel #25-05-15-100-027 from GC (General Commercial) to M-1 (Limited Manufacturing). Roll Call – Green – yes; Slezak – yes; Karr – yes; Tallman – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE RECOMMENDATION OF CASE #16-RZ-97 – SHANNON ROZELL – A REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL #25-05-29-100-002 – FROM GC (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO RU-1 (RESIDENTIAL URBAN)

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MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SLEZAK to approve recommendation of Case #16-RZ-97 –

Shannon Rozell – to rezone parcel #25-05-29-100-002 from GC (General Commercial) to RU-1 (Residential Urban). Roll Call – Karr – yes; Tallman – yes; Green – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE DAVISON RICHFIELD SENIOR CENTER AUTHORITY BOARD RESOLUTION

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY SLEZAK to approve Davison Richfield Senior Center Authority Board Resolution to be closed when Davison Community Schools close for snow days. Roll Call – Karr – yes; Tallman – yes; Tallman – yes; Slezak – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Tallman - to give a little insight it is a resolution to give the Senior Center to close when the Davison Schools close; there was some issues with the county; included some language that it could be done by approval of the Township and City and stay consistent with that policy of if the school is closed then the Senior Center will be closed.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- Halloween hours will be October 31, 2021 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. in Davison Township.
- PUD – Irish Road – Irish Manor Condominiums the Planning Commission approved the conceptual site plan for the plan unit development.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period opened at 6:32 P.M.

Stephanie Thomas – 2311 Wicklow South Dr Davison, MI – talked with Tim on the Retiree’s benefits; Humana says they will service, but what I found out is they won’t accept it; they are not in network; they will bill it, but you could still get billed; average score with Medicare is 3; they are not meeting the needs of the patients; concern is if the retirees have to go out of network to get treatment.

Karen Shields – 3393 Ray Rd Holly, MI – don’t know what the labor attorney will say; benefits need to stay the same; don’t want to go into Ascension and be denied care because they don’t take Humana; need to find different plan; more research; not good to make change.

Rick Freeman – 9368 Isabell Ln Davison, MI – you’ve heard the concern; we don’t want to argue the content of the money saving for the Township; we had to give up certain things; beg you to reconsider; Humana is not accepted in Genesee County; slow down consider the employees that are under this plan.

Mo Aboneaaj – 8509 Omar Dr Davison, MI – thank you for the support on being a DDA member; have the best intent for the residents; I questioned whether or not to run in the election when it comes up because of lack of support from some board members; however, I will utilize the campaign when running in 2024; there does need to be perspective on the board.

The public comment period was closed at 6:41 P.M.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY TALLMAN, SECOND BY GREEN TO ADJOURN AT 7:18 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

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Jim Slezak, Supervisor