



**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
March 18, 2020**



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

Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed

Building Official Matt Place

Jeremy Smith, Planning & Zoning Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Chief Rick Freeman, Deputy Chief Jerry Harris

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Davison Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 1:00pm at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None, no members of the public present.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Declaration of Local State of Emergency

Supervisor Tim Elkins outlined communications he has been receiving from Genesee County and the State of Michigan regarding the COVID-19 virus outbreak. He explained this may be a desirable action to enable us to possibly recover funds in the event of a severe outbreak here in the township.

Clerk Cindy Shields asked if there are specific actions or protocols we would need to enforce in order to qualify for this funding. There were other discussions regarding short-term disability insurance and whether or not this would be a qualifying event, questions on whether the County Sheriff's Department can take over local operations under their State of Emergency Declaration.

Chief Freeman stated that declaring a state of emergency is more of a funding and resource issue than it is operations. He also assured the board he is in frequent contact with local and state-level Police Chief Associations as to the appropriate actions and response of law enforcement officers.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to authorize the Supervisor to declare a State of Emergency for Davison Township and submit appropriate documents to the state. Roll call: Shields, Elkins, Karr, Howell, Miller- yes; motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting was adjourned at 1:22 pm.

Cindy K. Shields, Clerk

Timothy W. Elkins, Supervisor