

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
MILLAGE WORKSHOP
July 30, 2018**

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

Attorney David Lattie

Chief of Police Rick Freeman

Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Place, Brianna Talaska

CALL TO ORDER

The Millage Workshop meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. at the Davison Township Municipal Building, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423 for the purpose of discussing the Police millage renewal and possible Fire Services special assessment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period was opened at 2:01 pm. There were no public comments and it was closed at 2:01 pm.

POLICE MILLAGE RENEWAL AND FIRE SERVICES FUNDING

Karen began with charts showing what the Police millage and Special Assessment amounts have been for the past seventeen (17) years. The purpose today is to discuss when and what the board would like to do in the next few years to fund the Police Department. Also, the board needs to discuss funding of Fire Services and whether a special assessment or millage is necessary.

There was discussion about the Police millage and whether to increase it or ask for a renewal. When to place the wording on the ballot was the critical issue, due to timing for this year, holding a special election in 2019 at our own expense, or placing it on the 2020 ballot during the Primary election. The consensus is to review the projected police funding needs in 2019 then place a proposal on the August 2020 ballot.

Tim brought up for discussion the possibility of the Fire Authority becoming its own entity and having a millage for revenue, if all three municipalities would be in favor of this suggestion. Mr. Lattie will investigate what is involved and how this works.

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE

Matt Place explained there is an issue with the construction of the corrugated metal siding on the building; the proposal to replace the steel "skin" will not work and other options will need to be looked at to fix the rusting of the building.

There was discussion about the contract by the company who is proposing to change all our lights to LED in the building. Mr. Lattie has reviewed the contract. There was discussion on what would be the advantages of having this company do the work and whether or not we would see an actual savings. The Senior Center is also considering this.

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DIRT HILL SOIL EROSION

Karen informed the board that the estimated cost of satisfying the soil erosion permit is \$7000 to \$9000. This is not in the 2018/2019 budget. She discussed what else needs to be done to satisfy the DEQ. She has contacted Barry June at Genesee County Parks who may need a portion of the dirt for one their projects. Genesee County Parks will not know whether they need it until this fall.

MISCELLANEOUS

Christina McWilliams has resigned from DCER. Kevin Brown is meeting with Casey to talk about possibly running the programs. Not all board members are in favor of this.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Cindy K. Shields, Clerk

Karen M. Miller, Supervisor