

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
July 8, 2019**

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

Attorney David Lattie

Zoning/Planning Admin. Charm Healy

Parks & Rec. Director Casey Reed

MEMBERS ABSENT: Travis Howell

OTHERS PRESENT: Vernon Craig, Skip & Nancy Davis, John Krueger, Jerry Harris, Jim Morey, and Randy Hergenreder

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Davison Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 pm and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Mr. Elkins stated a few changes need to be made on Item E (strike employee and add Officer), striking elect from Item F, striking one 20 from Item H, adding Item I: A Grant for Lake Callis and letter of retirement under Informational.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve the agenda for July 8, 2019 with corrections as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the June 10, 2019 regular board meeting minutes as presented. All aye; motion carried.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the June 14, 2019 special meeting minutes as presented. All aye; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Miller gave the total amount of revenue for June, 2019 as \$1,599,999.14. He also presented the Quarterly Investment Summary- \$646,709.04 for General, \$1,073,814.41 for Water/Sewer, \$1,791,244.13 for Fire Authority, \$36,448.87 for Pine Grove Cemetery, and \$331,932.25 for Davison Cemetery.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY KARR to approve the June, 2019 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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BOARD BILLS

Mr. Elkins gave the total amount of expenditures through July 8, 2019 as \$1,344,982.21.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period was opened at 7:06 pm and there were no comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #2019-20 - Public Needs Hearing for Fire Services

Mr. Elkins explained that due to the increasing number of fire runs over the last few years, the Township's General Fund can no longer fully fund fire services. The board is discussing different ways to pursue raising funds. This resolution is to discuss the need for raising the funds with a special assessment and to create the district.

Vernon Craig – 1017 Foxglove – asked why the urgency and why not hold an election?

It was explained that there is not an election for Davison Township this November and the township would have to pay a minimum of \$10,000 to hold an election, the City of Davison and Richfield Township also contribute to the Fire Authority and both are adding a special assessment or millage to cover increasing costs, that special assessments are renewed annually. If this resolution passes tonight, there will be another hearing to discuss the cost.

Randy Hergenreder – 10001 Maple Ave. – stated that his understanding was because of the First Responders calls the reason for this assessment and asked if the Firemen are State Certified to administer medical treatment.

There was discussion about certifying the police officers instead of the firemen, the certifications firefighters have to have for medical responders, the county being in control of the emergency calls, the ambulance companies not being within the area in order to cut back on these calls, and a consumer's use tax. Skip Davis, retired Assistant Fire Chief, was called upon to clarify certifications and other practices of the fire department.

The board discussed having a workshop, the current resolution, the cost hearing, the run rates being the same for each call, and the best way to fund the service so the residents still have full benefit of services.

Pat Miller commented that he could see setting up the district for one year and then possibly placing a millage on the ballot in 2020.

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Mr. Lattie stated that once you make the decision to create the district because you found a need, then another hearing about the cost must be held. He also added that municipalities all across the county are struggling with this same issue.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve Resolution #2019-21 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Elkins, Miller, Shields. No- Karr. Motion carried.

Case #16-RZ-90 -10188 Lapeer Road

Charm stated the applicant is requesting a rezoning of the parcel from M-1 (Limited Manufacturing) to GC (General Commercial). The Planning Commission has reviewed the request and approved it unanimously based on the Future Master Plan recommends general commercial for this area. The parcel is located in the DDA district. The Planning Commission is recommending an approval from the Township Board.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY SHIELDS to approve Case #16-RZ-90 as presented based on the Planning Commissioners recommendations. Roll call: Yes – Elkins, Karr, Miller, Shields. Motion carried.

Third Amendment to Summerwood Master Deed

Charm explained the master deed for Summerwood Condominiums was approved by the Planning Commission in 2005, revised and approved again in 2017, revised and requesting approval in 2019. Mr. Lattie has reviewed this third amended master deed and finds it to be in compliance with the Davison Township requirements. The Planning Commission approved the amendment based on there will only be one less unit than the original master deed and is requesting the Township Board to approve it also.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Third Amendment to Summerwood Master Deed as presented based on the Planning Commission recommendations. Roll call: Yes – Karr, Miller, Shields, Elkins. Motion carried.

Case #16-ZOA-28 Solar Energy Systems Text Amendments

Charm said that the Planning Commission has been working on creating an ordinance for large and small scale solar energy systems since December of 2018, and at the June 12, 2019 public hearing, they adopted the Ordinance for small and large solar energy systems including the recommendations from the township board. The Commission is recommending approval from the Township Board of Trustees.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY KARR to approve Case #16-ZOA-28 as presented based on the Planning Commissioners recommendations. Roll call: Yes – Miller, Shields, Elkins, Karr. Motion carried.

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MERS 2019 Officer Delegate

Each year Officers (elected officials) must choose, by board action, a delegate and alternate to attend the MERS Annual Retirement Conference. This year Cindy Shields will be the delegate and Rick Freeman will be the alternate.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER to approve Cindy Shields as the delegate and Rick Freeman as the alternate representatives for the MERS Annual Retirement Conference. Motion carried.

MML Worker's Compensation Fund Trustee

There are three Trustees running for a four-year term beginning October 1, 2019, for the MML Workers' Compensation Fund board. They are requesting action by the governing body to vote by August 10, 2019.

MOTION BY ELKINS, SECOND BY MILLER to approve the Clerk's signature on the MML Workers' Compensation Fund Official Ballot as presented. Motion carried.

Budget Amendments

Tim explained there are three 2019/2020 budget amendments being requested. In the 2018/2019 budget funds were approved to refurbish Veteran's Park but only part of the project was completed before fiscal year end. The request is to carry over the funds to this fiscal year. Two- corrects Life Insurance line item in Department 101, and three- corrects the OPEB-PD line item.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECOND BY KARR to approve the 2019-2020 Budget Amendments as presented. Roll call: Yes – Shields, Elkins, Karr, Miller. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-20 Assignment of Funds

Tim stated that Davison Township received a contribution of \$25,000 from DCER to upgrade the outdoor classroom at Williams Park. To date we have only expended \$1,475 and the \$23,525 difference needs to be assigned in the new fiscal year to be held until the project is finished.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY MILLER to approve Resolution 2019-20 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Elkins, Karr, Miller, Shields. Motion carried.

Grant for Lake Callis

Casey said that she applied for a grant from the Davison Community Foundation and just received notification of the award today. The funds from this and the Callis Comedy Club Event donation will be used to purchase an all ability swing set at Lake Callis.

FUTURE BUSINESS

The Fire Services Special Assessment Workshop will be held on July 17, 2019 at 6 pm.

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INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Acceptance of Letter of Retirement from Charm Healy
 - a. The board members took a moment to let Charm know how much she is appreciated. She will be missed greatly by staff, board members, residents and business personnel.
2. Comcast updates
3. FANG updates

BOARD COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Cindy K. Shields, Clerk

Timothy W. Elkins, Supervisor