

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL MEETING
September 18, 2019**

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

Attorney David Lattie

Zoning/ Planning Admin. Jeremy Smith

Building Official Matt Place

MEMBERS ABSENT: Treasurer Pat Miller

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Pingot, Randy Minto, Joe Persi, Bill Persi, Nick Panchula, Lisa Miller, Brad Loiselle, Brannams, Carolyn Smith

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Davison Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6 pm, Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at the Davison Township Municipal Building, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423 and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment period was opened at 6:01 pm and there were no comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing for DDA Expansion

Mr. Elkins explained that the board is asking to expand the Downtown Development Authority District with parcels that should have been included with the creation of the original district. This will allow the DDA to capture the increase in taxable value from other taxing authorities, if any, to develop and maintain our business areas with beautification or what may be needed.

Randy Minto-2391 Baxter Rd., asked how will this affect the property owners or help them.

Tim explained the goals of the DDA.

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Cathy Pingot-2085 Redwood Ct., asked if the captured funds are just for the business area.

Joe Persi-7049 New Hampshire Dr., asked how much will be collected

Tim stated it is different each year, depending on the increases in taxable value.

Nick Panchula-2329 Venezia Ct., asked if this will require particular maintenance of the property by the business owner.

Jeremy said that the ordinances already mandate what property owners can and cannot do.

Charles Brennam-2093 Redwood Ct., stated his concerns about the property that abuts the subdivision being lined with trees and the trees being cut down to develop the property.

Jeremy explained that all developments must go to the Planning Commission Board and there are strict setbacks and landscaping rules in place for such a thing.

Lisa Miller-2094 Redwood Ct., asked where she could find out what the abutting property is zoned and a copy of Ordinance 52.

Jeremy looked on the zoning map for her and stated that it is Residential Single Family.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:30 pm.

Approval of OPEB Actuarial 2019 Report

Cindy explained the 2019 OPEB Actuarial Report from Watkins Ross contained a significant reduction of \$5.6 million to our liability. This is due to the calculations now factoring in pay-as-you-go retiree health care premiums. Davison Township has historically, and will continue to, pay retiree health care premiums from General Fund. Using Uniform Assumptions, we are 25.9% funded. She asked the board to accept the report as presented.

MOTION BY ELKINS, SECOND BY HOWELL to accept the Watkins Ross OPEB Actuarial 2019 Report as presented. Roll call: Yes-Elkins, Karr, Howell, Shields. Motion carried.

Approval of OPEB Corrective Action Plan

Cindy reminded the board that the OPEB Waiver report to the Michigan Department of Treasury submitted earlier this year triggered a required Corrective Action Plan. This CAP includes the commitment to pay-as-you-go retiree health care premiums from General Fund, the closing of the plan which began July1, 2017, and the new 2019 actuarial report showing our funding level to be 25.9% with a significant reduction in liability. It shows that we meet the criteria of having a less than 12% ADC ratio and being 40% funded in two years. After the CAP is been submitted and approved, we can request to be removed from the CAP requirement. She asked the board to approve the Corrective Action Plan as presented.

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MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve the OPEB Corrective Action Plan proposal as presented. Roll call: Yes-Karr, Howell, Shields, Elkins. Motion carried.

Rezoning Case #16-RZ-91

Jeremy gave the administrative review stating the Davison Township Planning Commissioners met on September 11, 2019, reviewed this request then approved unanimously. The applicant is requesting a rezoning of the parcel from General Commercial to Residential Urban Single Family. The Planning Commission requests the consideration of their recommendation and approve the case as presented.

There was discussion about the change being different than Future Master Plan. Jeremy explained the use and location of the property is a good fit for the area. The property owner may request to split the property then use it for an out building.

MOTION BY KARR, SECOND BY HOWELL to approve Case #16-RZ-91 as presented. Roll call: Yes – Howell, Shields, Elkins, Karr. Motion carried.

Amend the Agenda

It was noted that an item was missing from the agenda and needed to be added.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to amend the agenda to add Item F, Promotion of Jeremy Smith. All aye; motion carried.

Promotion of Planning/Zoning Administrator

Cindy stated that the Personnel Committee recommends Jeremy Smith be promoted to Planning/Zoning Administrator, effective October 3, 2019, when Charm Healy retires.

MOTION BY SHIELDS, SECOND BY HOWELL to accept Jeremy Smith's promotion to Planning/Zoning Administrator beginning October 3, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mr. Howell mentioned the new electronic sign at the Davison Area Library.

Mr. Elkins mentioned clean up days at the Davison Cemetery on Monday, October 7th from 10-2 and Pine Grove Cemetery on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 from 10-2.

ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Cindy K. Shields, Clerk

Timothy W. Elkins, Supervisor