Danby Township Regular Meeting December 15, 2022

The Meeting was held at The Danby Township Hall 13122 Charlotte Hwy, Sunfield, MI and was opened at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Board Members:

Present: Supervisor Platte, Trustee Schafer, Trustee Nurenberg, Treasurer Hoppes. Absent: Clerk Platte

Approval of Minutes October 27, 2022 Regular Meeting:

Motion by Schafer Seconded By D Platte

CARRIED

Approve minutes of October 27, 2022 Regular Meeting as presented.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by D Platte

Seconded by Schafer

CARRIED

Approve the agenda as amended to include addition of burial space to the new business section.

Communications:

Motion by D Platte

Seconded by Hoppes

CARRIED

Place Communications on file

Public Comment:

Zoning Administrator Report- Jeanne Vandersloot presented the Zoning Administrator report.

Unfinished Business:

BS&A software- Next available training is December 2023. Adding the tax and assessor software to the upgrade will cost an additional \$8400

Fiber Optics Survey- The federal site survey shows a lot of availability for Danby Township residents for internet services that are not available. This could impact future grand qualifications. Supervisor Platte will be sending out the link to the federal survey so we can spread awareness of this.

New Business:

Appoint New Board of Review Member- Michele Hoppes will be joining the Board of Review. Motion to appoint Michele Hoppes to the Board of Review.

Motion by D Platte

Seconded by Schafer

CARRIED

Reappoint Board of Review Members:

Motion to reappoint Terry Frewen to the Board of Review

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Nurenberg CARRIED

Motion to reappoint Ben Splitzley to the Board of Review

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Motion to reappoint Tina Hengesbach to the Board of Review

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Nurenberg CARRIED

Motion to reappoint Jen Brown to the Board of Review

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Motion to reappoint Neil Miros to the Board of Review

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Township Website – Supervisor Platte would like to accept bids for the upgrade of the existing township website in the next fiscal year.

Motion to allow Supervisor Platte to seek bids for website upgrades

Motion by Schafer Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Burial Space - On Oct 28, 2022 Sexton Nurenberg reached out to Jake Schafer in regards to digging a hole for a space that already had a cremation buried in it. After several attempts and no response Sexton Nurenberg dug the hole himself. He is requesting that we find a backup for the digging of the burial sites in the event that we have this occur again. Seeking reimbursement of \$275 for the digging of this burial site. This is the normal fee we pay for the digging of the burial sites.

Motion to reimburse Sexton Nurenberg for digging of burial site

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Commission & Committee Reports:

Road Issues- Supervisor Dan received update from John Diemela from County Road Department on Cutler Road Bridge. The Bridge is expected to reopen at end of the year.

Complaints of height and possible water logging have been received.

Complaints of road issues caused by scraping on roads late in the season, roads were not Frozen, for example, Tupper Lake Rd.

Gravel prices will remain same this year. Roads will need to be selected for graveling for the next year. Ditching requests should be made as well to continue the efforts in making the road conditions more sustainable.

ITC- electrical/utility company wants a new sub station from Nelson to Oneida roads. A request of Information has been received from the company. This will require a 200 foot right of way. Planning Commission Update- Planning Commission reported that some members are concerned that the marihuana ordinances are not moving fast enough. Planning Commission chairman will let the

planning commission board members know that the township board is continuing to work with the township lawyer regarding the ordinance.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 3 Fire runs in November for a total of 15 in the 2022 year.

Bills- Treasurer Hoppes presented the bills. Added a check to S&K for township newsletters for 234.00 and to Bill Nurenberg for cemetery burial for \$275

Motioned by Hoppes Seconded by D Platte CARRIED

Pay the bills post audit for November and as presented for December with addition of S&K and Bill Nurenberg.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Hoppes presented totals for October and November.

Cemetery Business:

Nurenberg reported that one of the batteries was dead and we will need a new one in the spring for maintenance. Gas tanks were filled in Spring and the gas lasted all season, with the cost of gas it was discussed when to refill tank. It was decided to wait until Spring again so that the gas does not sit over Winter. In April 2019, 21 cremations were buried. Nurenberg is not easily able to find these burials. He is pricing out rebar so they can be marked and more easily found in future with metal detector.

Announcements:

*Reminder that next regular meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2022. Lawyers will be present for update on Marihuana ordinance questions.

Public Comment:

PAFA budget starts in July. 25.52 % has been spent so far. 2.4 % increase is expected to be requested for the next fiscal year. New firetruck coming in 2024 to replace existing truck. Budget request should be received in January.

Treasurer Hoppes reported that the township has been moved into the implementation queue for the implementation of the software required to take online payments for property taxes. No exact ETA has been given.

Paper towels and other cleaning supplies are needed for the hall.

Adjournment:

Motion by Platte Seconded by Schafer Adjourned at 7:53 PM

Minutes taken by Erika Hoppes Danby Township Treasurer