

Danby Township Regular Meeting
February 25, 2023

The Regular Meeting scheduled for Thursday February 23, 2023 was rescheduled to Saturday February 25, 2023 due to the weather. The meeting was held at The Danby Township Hall 13122 Charlotte Hwy, Sunfield, Mi and was opened at 8:30 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Board Members:

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

Approval of Minutes January 26, 2023:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED
 Approve minutes of January 26, 2023 as presented.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Nurenberg CARRIED
 Approve the agenda as presented.

Communications:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by K. Platte CARRIED
 Place Communications on file.

Public Comment:

Assessor Report – Mike and Pam McCormack spoke of the road improvements on Musgrove Highway. Jeanne Vandersloot - presented the Zoning Administrator's Report.

Unfinished Business:

BS&A Software Update – No Action, place holder only.

Fiber Optics Survey – Supervisor Platte submitted to Tri-County Cooperative a letter in support of a fiber optics grant.

Township Website – Supervisor Platte will be contacting different website companies for the costs of a possible redesign of the township website.

Marihuana Ordinance – No Action, this will be discussed at the March 23, 2023 regular board meeting.

New Business:

PAMA Budget – No Action, this was discussed at the January 26, 2023 meeting.

PAFA Budget – No Action, this will be discussed at the March 23, 2023 budget workshop and will be voted on at the March 30, 2023 Special Meeting.

Zoning Administrator – No Action, the Zoning Administrator contract will be voted on at one of the March 2023 meetings.

MTA Conference – No Action

Rezone Application for Michael Culp with MAC Strategic –

DANBY TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01
Adopted: 2.25.2023
Effective Date: 2.25.2023

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 4 OF THE DANBY TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF SECTION 4.02 A, DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, FOR A PARCEL REZONE SHOWN IN THE ATTACHED AERIAL.

THE TOWNSHIP OF DANBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1:

To rezone the parcel known as 9751 E Grand River Ave (parcel # 34-040-003-000-004-20) from Agriculture to General Commercial. The aerial is attached as Exhibit A.

SECTION 2:

Validity and Severability. Should any portion of this Ordinance be found invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3:

Repealer Clause. Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4:

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective seven (7) days after publication.

Motion by K. Platte, seconded by Nurenberg to adopt the proposed zoning map rezone amendment as presented.

ADOPTED:

Yeas: Schafer, Nurenberg, D. Platte, Koppes, K. Platte
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF IONIA)

I, the undersigned, the duly elected Clerk of Danby Township, Ionia County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete representation of certain proceedings conducted by the Board of Trustees of said Township at a meeting held on this 25th day of February, 2023.

Kristina Platte
Kristina Platte
Danby Township Clerk

2023/2024 Proposed Salaries –Supervisor Platte proposed a 2% salary increase for board members for the 2023/2024 year. The Danby Township Clerk asked for an exception to this 2% as she was asking for an increased and different salary amount.

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by Schafer

Approve 2% salary increases for the 2023/2024 budget year board members with the exception of the township Clerk who's requesting a different salary amount.

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: Hoppes, Nurenberg, Schafer

NAYS: none

ABSTAINED: Supervisor Platte, Clerk Platte

MOTION CARRIED

Clerk Platte spoke of the upcoming election law changes and different responsibilities to her position. She asked for a salary of \$27,000.00 per year for the 2023/2024 budget year.

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer

Approve the 2023/2024 Clerk's Salary at \$28,500.00 per year due to the upcoming election law changes and different responsibilities to her position.

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: Hoppes, Nurenberg, Schafer,

NAYS: none

ABSTAINED: Supervisor Platte, Clerk Platte

MOTION CARRIED

ICRD Brine Agreement 2023 –

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Approve the 2023 Brine Agreement with ICRD at a cost of .1925 per gallon with Corrigan Environmental and allow the Supervisor and Clerk to sign.

ICRD Gravel Agreement 2023 –

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by K. Platte CARRIED

Approve the 2023 Gravel Agreement with ICRD at a cost of \$13.25 per yard for 6,000 yards of gravel and allow the Supervisor and Clerk to sign.

ICRD Gradall Agreement 2023 –

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve the 2023 Gradall Agreement with ICRD at a cost of up to \$3,000.00 and allow the Supervisor and Clerk to sign.

Commission & Committee Reports:

Road Issues – Supervisor Platte thanked Mike McCormack for helping the ICRD widen Musgrove Highway. Supervisor Platte stated the gravel locations will be picked at the upcoming March 23rd or March 30th meeting.

Planning Commission Update - The Planning Commission's next meeting is set for April 19, 2023.

Officer Reports:

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Fire Runs - 3 Fire runs in January for a total of 3 in the 2023 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills and asked for permission to pay the bills as presented.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances with a total of \$451,623.62. Treasurer Hoppes is also looking at different financial institutions to try and get the best interest rates.

Cemetery Business:

Cemetery Sexton Bill Nurenberg stated the cemetery tractor is at Hutson's Inc and they are trying to determine what needs to be repaired on it. He also stated he fixed the top of the flagpole in front of the township hall. Once the snow is gone, they will begin clean-up in the cemetery. There is also a pile of fill dirt that should be advertised for Danby residents to haul away if anyone needs fill dirt.

Budget Workshop:

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Set the date for the budget workshop for Thursday March 23, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.

Announcements:

*Reminder that the next regular meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2023.

Public Comment: Supervisor Platte is working with ICRD in regards to the possible refund of the \$20,000.00 for the Cutler Road bridge. Clerk Platte thanked the township board for the support of a greater salary and for acknowledging the responsibilities of the clerk position.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Kristina Platte
Danby Township Clerk