Danby Township Regular Meeting February 29, 2024

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

Roll Call of Board Members:

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

Absent: Supervisor Platte

Supervisor Platte is absent.

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Appoint Clerk Platte to facilitate the meeting.

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting January 25, 2024:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve minutes of Regular Meeting January 25, 2024, as presented.

Approval of Agenda: Approve as presented.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Approve the agenda as presented.

<u>Communications</u>: Mitchel Hoppes and Jeanne Vandersloot presented the Zoning Administrator reports for January 2024.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Place Communications on file.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Heather Hoffman presented the Assessor's Report and added that all assessment notices have been mailed.

Unfinished Business:

Township Fiber Optics – Clerk Platte stated there were 362 post cards sent out to residents of Phase 1. The deadline is March 15, 2024, for residents to respond and show interest in the fiber optics tentative project.

Partition in Office Side of Township Hall – No update.

Active Shooter/Emergency Policy for Township — Clerk Platte sent a training video to all board members to get their opinion. The board members thought the YouTube training video was sufficient. Clerk Platte is going to email it to all the election inspectors to watch and get their opinion on whether they think this training is adequate or see if they would like someone from the county to come out to do a hands-on training.

ADT Commercial Proposal for Security Cameras @ Township Hall – Clerk Platte suggested there may be the possibility of a grant to help cover some of the cost for the security cameras that need to be installed outside the township hall.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Allow Clerk Platte to apply for the grant for the security cameras outside the township hall.

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New Business:

Bruce Barber - ZBA Member Re-appointment -

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Re-appoint Bruce Barber to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

PA116 Timothy Brown – Timothy Brown sent in an application for a PA116 that met all the criteria needed for qualification. This application was received on February 14, 2024.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Roll-Call Vote:

YEAS: Nurenberg, Hoppes, K. Platte, Schafer

NAYS: none

MOTION CARRIED

Jeff Sandborn/Harvest Energy Solutions LLC Special Use Permit – The Planning Commission recommended approval of the Special Use Permit for Jeff Sandborn/Harvest Energy Solutions LLC. The Special Use Permit met all setbacks, conditions, and nobody attended the public hearing to oppose.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve the Special Use Permit for Jeff Sandborn/Harvest Energy Solutions LLC.

Master Plan Update - DANBY TOWNSHIP

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RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Danby, held at the Danby Township Hall, on the 29th day of February 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Nurenberg, Schafer, Hoppes, K. Platte

ABSENT:

D. Platte

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member K. Platte and supported by Member Schafer.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISTRIBUTION OF THE DRAFT 2024 DANBY TOWNSHIP MASTER PLAN UPDATE AND TO ASSERT THE RIGHT TO APPROVE THE PLAN WHEREAS, the Danby Township Planning Commission has prepared the draft 2024 Danby Township Master Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2024, the Danby Township Planning Commission recommended the distribution of the draft 2024 Danby Township Master Plan Update to neighboring communities and relevant agencies, as required by Section 41 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, as amended.

IT IS, THEREFORE, RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Danby Township Board of Trustees asserts its right to approve or reject the 2024 Danby Township Master Plan Update revisions and updates.
- 2. The Danby Township Board of Trustees hereby approves the distribution of the draft 2024 Danby Township Master Plan Update prepared by the Danby Township Planning Commission and submitted at this meeting to neighboring communities and relevant agencies, as required by Section 41 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act.
- 3. The Township Clerk is authorized and requested to distribute copies (or an emailed website link) of the draft 2024 Danby Township Master Plan Update to the neighboring communities and relevant agencies entitled by law to receive copies of the draft plan.

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4. Neighboring communities and relevant agencies shall be asked to submit comments within 42 days of receipt and shall be provided with the date of the official public hearing. AYES:

K. Platte, Schafer, Hoppes, Nurenberg

NAYS:

none

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kristina Platte

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Danby Township Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Danby at a regular meeting held on the date first stated above, and I

further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.

Kristina Platte

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Danby Township Clerk

2023/2024 Budget Amendments as Proposed at January 25, 2024, Regular Meeting -

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Approve the 2023/2024 Budget Amendments as presented.

2024/2025 Salary Wage Study Proposed 2% Increase – The board gave increases last year; the increases were discussed and the decision was to keep everyone's salary the same with no increases.

Set Budget Workshop Special Meeting Date -

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Set the Budget Workshop Special Meeting Date to March 21, 2024 @ 5:00 p.m.

PAFA Budget 2024/2025 -

Motion by Schafer Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Table until March 21, 2024, Regular Meeting.

PAMA Budget 2024/2025 -

Motion by Schafer Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Table until March 21, 2024, Regular Meeting.

Election Worker's Pay for 2/27/24 Election -

Motion by Schafer Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Allow Clerk to pay election workers for the February 27, 2024 election.

Commission & Committee Reports:

Road Issues – Trustee Schafer stated Musgrove Highway is partially washed out, it wasn't ditched or widened correctly. Clerk Platte stated she would contact the Ionia County Road Supervisor to let him know this needs to be fixed.

Planning Commission Update - The Planning Commissions next meeting is a Public Hearing on April 17, 2024.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 4 Fire runs in January, for a total of 4 in the 2024 year.

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Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills with the additions of Bill Nurenberg in the amount of \$245.80.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented with the addition of Bill Nurenberg in the amount of \$245.80.

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<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances with a total of \$497,841.58.

<u>Cemetery Business:</u> Cemetery Sexton Bill Nurenberg stated the tractor hood has been replaced, he will check to see what trees need work on them or need to be removed in the cemetery. He needs 9 new faucets and will be buying those before the next meeting. He will be ordering gas from Pohl Oil. A tree fell on the neighbor's property from the cemetery, Bill will see if they want to cut it up. Deputy Clerk Platte discussed the cemetery software and stated that around 60 pages can get done in 3 hours, it's not a user-friendly program.

Announcements: The next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Trustee Schafer attended the City of Portland Ambulance meeting. He stated the per capita fee was increasing from \$20.00 to \$30.00. This will be on the March 21, 2024, meeting agenda for further discussion.

Adjournment:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer CARRIED Adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Kristina Platte Danby Township Clerk