

Danby Township Regular Meeting
May 30, 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: Supervisor Platte, Trustee Schafer, Trustee Nurenberg, Treasurer Hoppes, Clerk Platte

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes May 30, 2024:

Motion by D. Platte	Seconded by Schafer	CARRIED
Approve regular meeting minutes May 30, 2024 as presented.		

Approval of Agenda: Add #4 under New Business – Township Newsletter.

Motion by K. Platte	Seconded by Hoppes	CARRIED
Approve the agenda as amended.		

Communications:

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

Public Comment: none

Unfinished Business:

Township Fiber Optics – Supervisor Platte presented DANBY TOWNSHIP Resolution No. 24-05
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING WITH HOMEWORKS TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE

At a meeting of the Township Board for the Township of Danby, Ionia County, Michigan, held on the
30th day of May, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Nurenberg, Hoppes, K. Platte, Schafer, D. Platte

ABSENT: none

The following preamble and resolution were offered by K. Platte and seconded by D. Platte.

WHEREAS, the Danby Township Board is committed to bring fiber services to unserved and underserved area of the Township by and through a partnership with HomeWorks Tri County Electric Cooperative (HWTC); and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has designated unspent ARPA funds to help support HWTC's broadband initiative for the unserved and underserved areas identified in the broadband proposal (attached as Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, HWTC proposes to expand their GPON Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) network to provide symmetrical gigabit internet services to the outlined proposed area; and WHEREAS, HWTC has presented a proposed Letter of Understanding to the Township (attached as Exhibit B);

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that agreeing to the Letter of Understanding and continuing to work with HWTC on the broadband proposal is in the best interest of the Township health, safety, and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Township Board of the Township of Danby resolves as follows:

1. The Township Board approves the use of unspent ARPA funds to facilitate broadband expansion in the Township.
2. The scope of the broadband proposal is limited in geography, as outlined in the proposal.
3. Any agreement between the Township and HWTC is contingent on a Consumers Energy Distribution System Make Ready Permit.
4. Any agreement between the Township and HWTC is contingent on contribution in aid of construction of \$450,00 from the Township.
5. The Township Supervisor is directed to move forward with the necessary development and notice to Township residents in order to implement this resolution and its purposes.

A vote on the above Resolution was taken and was as follows: ADOPTED:

YEAS: Nurenberg, Hoppes, K. Platte, Schafer, D. Platte

NAYS: none

STATE OF MICHIGAN)) ss.

COUNTY OF IONIA)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Township Clerk of the Township of Danby, Michigan, CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board at a regular meeting held on the 30th day of May, 2024.

Kristina Platte

Kristina Platte

New Business:

IM Safe – Kyle Butler and Lori Kirkhoff gave a presentation on IM Safe, explaining what the program does for Ionia and Montcalm County residents.

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve \$3,000.00 contribution for IM Safe.

Liz Price Cemetery Stone – Sexton Bill Nurenberg, Liz Price, Supervisor Platte and Jeff with Beuche Monument will meet at the cemetery to discuss the damage on Liz Prices' cemetery stone and the parties will discuss a possible resolution.

PAFA – Fourth Amendment to First Amended Joint and Emergency Services Agreement - FOURTH AMENDMENT TO FIRST AMENDED JOINT FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AGREEMENT

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by D. Platte

Allow Supervisor Platte and Clerk Platte to sign the stated amendment:

This Fourth Amendment to the First Amended Joint Fire and Emergency Services Agreement is made as of May 30, 2024 (this "Fourth Amendment"), between the City of Portland, a Michigan municipal corporation, the principal business address of which is 259 Kent Street, Portland, MI 48875 (the "City"), Portland Township, a Michigan general law township, the principal business address of which is 773 East Grand River Avenue, Portland, MI 48875, and Danby Township, a Michigan general law township, the principal business address of which is 13122 Charlotte Highway, Sunfield, MI 48890 (collectively, the "Townships").

RECITALS

A. Pursuant to the Urban Cooperation Act, 1967 PA 7, Ex. Sess. as amended, MCL 125.501 et seq. (the

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"Act"), the City and the Townships entered into the First Amended Joint Fire and Emergency Services Agreement on March 2, 2015, and Second Amendment to the First Amended Joint Fire Agreement, and Third Amendment to the First Amended Joint Fire Agreement, copies of which is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference (the "First Amended Agreement", and "Second Amended Agreement", and "Third Amended Agreement"), under which the City and the Townships established the Portland Area Fire Authority (the "Authority").

B. Consistent with its published 5-year improvement plan, the Authority is in need of financing to purchase a 2024 CSI Emergency Apparatus Pumper-Rescue apparatus fire truck (the "Fire Truck") and has

received a proposal from Mercantile Bank (the "Bank") to loan it the necessary funds in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, at an interest rate not to exceed 6.1 percent.

C. Pursuant to the Act, the City and the Townships must provide authorization to the Authority to finance

the purchase of the Fire Truck through the Bank and the Authority is requesting an amendment to the First Amended Agreement to authorize such a borrowing.

D. The City and the Townships are amenable to the Authority's request in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Third Amendment.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In exchange for the consideration in and referred to by this Fourth Amendment, the parties agree as follows:

1. (a) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City and the Townships authorize the Authority, on or after July 1, 2024, to borrow an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 from Mercantile Bank at an interest rate not to exceed 6.1 percent, to finance the purchase of the Fire Truck, over a period of three years. The Authority shall include in its annual budget the amounts necessary to make all installment payments of principal and interest to Mercantile Bank in relation to the financing approved by this subsection. The obligation to make timely principal and interest payments to Mercantile Bank shall be the sole obligation of the Authority.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City and the Townships hereby pledge that in the event the Authority should default on any portion of such obligation, subject to constitutional and

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statutory limitations, the City and Townships shall make such payments to the extent specified below:
2024-2025 2025-2026 2026-2027

City of Portland \$44,761.30 \$44,761.30 \$44,761.30

Portland Township \$40,187.54 \$40,187.54 \$40,187.54

Danby Township \$24,733.32 \$24,733.32 \$24,733.32

The authorization provided to the Authority by the City and the Townships through this subsection

3.4(b) is exclusively limited to financing to purchase the Fire Truck as specified herein and for no other purpose. In the event of default by the Authority, the parties agree that the City and the Townships shall jointly own the Fire Truck.

2. The Secretary of the Authority Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver

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such agreements, instruments, documents, and certificates and to take all other actions necessary to complete the purchase of the Fire Truck, including, but not limited to, taking such actions as may be required by the Michigan Department of Treasury necessary to finance the purchase of the Fire Truck.

3. All other terms and conditions of the First Amended Agreement, the Second Amended Agreement, and the Third Amended Agreement except as specifically provided in this Fourth Amendment, shall remain in full force and effect.

YEAS: Schafer, K. Platte, Hoppes, Nurenberg, D. Platte

NAYS: none

MOTION CARRIED

Township Newsletter -

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Allow Treasurer to send a township newsletter with the summer tax bills for 2024.

Zoning and Assessing: Mitchel Hoppes presented his May Zoning Administrator report. Heather Hoffman wasn't in attendance to present her Assessor report.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 5 Fire runs in April, for a total of 18 in the 2024 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills with the additions of Hutson, Inc in the amount of \$28.31 and IM Safe in the amount of \$3,000.00

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented with the additions of Hutson, Inc in the amount of \$28.31 and IM Safe in the amount of \$3,000.00

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances with a total of \$658,670.83.

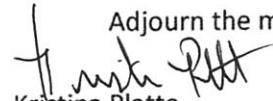
Cemetery Business: The Boy Scouts had 5 members that came and helped put out flags for Memorial weekend. Sexton Nurenberg needs to order approximately 35 – 3' x 5' flags and 120 – 12" x 18" flags for graves.

Announcements: The next meeting is Thursday June 27, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m.


Kristina Platte

Danby Township Clerk

Danby Township Regular Meeting
June 27, 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: Supervisor Platte, Trustee Schafer, Trustee Nurenberg, Clerk Platte

Absent: Treasurer Hoppes

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes May 30, 2024:

Motion by Nurenberg	Seconded by D. Platte	CARRIED
Approve regular meeting minutes May 30, 2024 as presented.		

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Schafer	Seconded by Nurenberg	CARRIED
Approve the agenda as presented.		

Communications:

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

Public Comment: Clerk Platte stated that the absentee ballots will be mailed out Friday June 28, 2024 for the August 6, 2024 Primary Election.

Unfinished Business:

Township Fiber Optics – Supervisor Platte stated Tri-County is still working on engineering and looking into additional grants that may be possible for the fiber optics project.

Liz Price – Cemetery Stone – Bill Nurenberg, Liz Price and the Monument Company will be meeting sometime in July.

New Business:

City of Portland Ambulance Agreement – The City of Portland Ambulance 2024/2025 per capita fee is \$30.00, 2025/2026 per capita fee is \$31.00, 2026/2027 per capita fee is \$32.00, with a possible 3% increase.

Motion by D. Platte	Seconded by Schafer
Approve City of Portland Ambulance Agreement and allow the Supervisor and Clerk to sign.	

YEAS: Nurenberg, K. Platte, Schafer, D. Platte

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

Zoning and Assessing: Mitchel Hoppes presented his May Zoning Administrator report. Heather Hoffman wasn't in attendance to present her Assessor report.

Commission and Committee Reports:

Road Issues – The placement of gravel will be starting this week or next.

Planning Commission Update – The Planning Commission's next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2024.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 2 Fire runs in May, for a total of 20 in the 2024 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills with the additions of Hutson, Inc in the amount of \$24.75 and Heather Hoffman for Postmaster in amount of \$159.00.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented with the additions of Hutson, Inc in the amount of \$24.75 and Heather Hoffman for Postmaster in amount of \$159.00.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Hoppes will present the balances at the July meeting.

Cemetery Business: There were 3 burials in June. Olivia Platte will have the cemetery software entered from the big book by the August meeting date.

Announcements: The next meeting is Thursday July 25, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by Nurenberg CARRIED

Adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.


Kristina Platte

Danby Township Clerk

Danby Township Regular Meeting
July 25, 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

Motion by Nurenberg	Seconded by Hoppes	CARRIED
Have Clerk Platte be the moderator for the July 25, 2024, meeting.		

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes June 27, 2024:

Motion by Nurenberg	Seconded by Schafer	CARRIED
Approve regular meeting minutes June 27, 2024 as presented.		

Approval of Agenda:

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

Communications:

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

Public Comment: None

Unfinished Business:

Township Fiber Optics – No Update

Liz Price – Cemetery Stone – Bill Nurenberg, Liz Price and Brewer-Bouchey Monument Company met at the cemetery to view Liz Price's cemetery stone. The Brewer-Bouchey Monument Company provided the township with an estimate to replace the existing stone at a cost of \$3471.50. The previous cemetery sexton stated he made some repairs to the cemetery stone; therefore, a non-precedent motion was made.

Motion by K. Platte	Seconded by Hoppes	Trustee Schafer-Abstained
CARRIED		

Approve the estimate from Brewer-Bouchey Monument to replace Liz Price's cemetery stone without being precedent setting.

AV Dropbox – The new AV Dropbox for absentee ballot placement has arrived and will be set into place after the August 6, 2024, election, and within the 75-day deadline prior to the November 5, 2024, election.

Zoning and Assessing: Mitchel Hoppes presented his June Zoning Administrator report. Heather Hoffman presented the Assessor report.

Commission and Committee Reports:

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Road Issues – No Update

Planning Commission Update – The Planning Commission's next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2024.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 0 Fire runs in June, for a total of 20 in the 2024 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills.

Motion by K. Platte

Seconded by Hoppes

CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances as of June 30, 2024, as \$615,978.07.

Cemetery Business: There was one burial at the beginning of the month.

Announcements: The next meeting is Thursday August 29, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

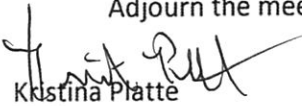
Adjournment:

Motion by K. Platte

Seconded by Schafer

CARRIED

Adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.


Kristina Platte

Danby Township Clerk

Danby Township Regular Meeting
July 25, 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

Motion by Nurenberg	Seconded by Hoppes	CARRIED
Have Clerk Platte be the moderator for the July 25, 2024, meeting.		

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes June 27, 2024:

Motion by Nurenberg	Seconded by Schafer	CARRIED
Approve regular meeting minutes June 27, 2024 as presented.		

Approval of Agenda:

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

Communications:

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

Public Comment: None

Unfinished Business:

Township Fiber Optics – No Update

Liz Price – Cemetery Stone – Bill Nurenberg, Liz Price and Brewer-Bouchey Monument Company met at the cemetery to view Liz Price's cemetery stone. The Brewer-Bouchey Monument Company provided the township with an estimate to replace the existing stone at a cost of \$3471.50. The previous cemetery sexton stated he made some repairs to the cemetery stone; therefore, a non-precedent motion was made.

Motion by K. Platte	Seconded by Hoppes	Trustee Schafer-Abstained
CARRIED		

Approve the estimate from Brewer-Bouchey Monument to replace Liz Price's cemetery stone without being precedent setting.

AV Dropbox – The new AV Dropbox for absentee ballot placement has arrived and will be set into place after the August 6, 2024, election, and within the 75-day deadline prior to the November 5, 2024, election.

Zoning and Assessing: Mitchel Hoppes presented his June Zoning Administrator report. Heather Hoffman presented the Assessor report.

Commission and Committee Reports:

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Road Issues – No Update

Planning Commission Update – The Planning Commission's next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2024.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 0 Fire runs in June, for a total of 20 in the 2024 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances as of June 30, 2024, as \$615,978.07.

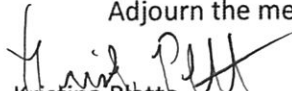
Cemetery Business: There was one burial at the beginning of the month.

Announcements: The next meeting is Thursday August 29, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.


Kristina Platte

Danby Township Clerk

Danby Township Regular Meeting
August 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: Supervisor Platte, Trustee Schafer, Trustee Nurenberg, Treasurer Hoppes, Clerk Platte

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes July 25, 2024:

Motion by Nurenberg	Seconded by Schafer	CARRIED
Approve regular meeting minutes July 25, 2024 as presented.		

Approval of Agenda:

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

Communications:

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

Public Comment: The Portland Fire Chief brought out the new firetruck for board members and public to see.

Unfinished Business:

Township Fiber Optics – Supervisor Platte has been in contact with Tri-County. Tri-County is currently waiting for information from Consumers Energy. There should be more to report at the September regular meeting.

Liz Price – Cemetery Stone – The check was written out of the general fund for payment of the replacement cemetery stone.

New Business:

Resolution To Prohibit the Placement of Private Signs, Tents, and Similar Structures on Township Property –

DANBY TOWNSHIP Resolution No. 24-0829

**RESOLUTION TO PROHIBIT THE PLACEMENT OF PRIVATE SIGNS, TENTS AND SIMILAR STRUCTURES ON
TOWNSHIP PROPERTY**

At a meeting of the Township Board for the Township of Danby, Ionia County, Michigan, held on the 29th day of August, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Nurenberg, Schafer, D. Platte, Hoppes, K. Platte

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by K. Platte and seconded by D. Platte.

WHEREAS, the Danby Township Board is empowered to regulate the public health, safety, and welfare in the Township, MCL 41.181 *et seq.*, and

WHEREAS, the Township Board wishes to prohibit the placement of private signs, whether placed in the ground, on a structure, or held by a person, and tents, tables; and other similar devices and structures on Township property.

The placement of private signs, whether placed in the ground, on a structure, or held by a person, and tents, tables, and other similar devices and structures on Township property is prohibited. The Township Clerk shall cause this policy to be posted on the Township website, at the Township Hall, and any other appropriate location.

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Kristina Platte, Township Clerk

Grant Writer for Township Projects – Supervisor Platte stated there are different ways to write upcoming grant applications. For the FY2025/2026 budget year he would like board members to consider contracting with a company that writes the grants for the townships. Supervisor Platte feels this might help the township be selected for upcoming grants.

ADT Commercial Proposal for Security Cameras at Township Hall – Supervisor Platte presented a quote from a different security camera company called Total Security at a much lower cost.

Approve the proposal from Total Security at a cost not to exceed \$3,500.00 for cameras and security system at the township hall.

Road Issues – Supervisor Platte went through a list of road projects and updates from the ICRD Road Supervisor Tanner Roe.

Planning Commission Update – The Planning Commission’s next meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2024.

Danby Township Regular Meeting
August 29, 2024

Officer Reports:

Clerk's Reports:

Fire Runs - 1 Fire run in July, for a total of 21 in the 2024 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills with the additions of Granger in the amount of \$12.26, Barry Gaudette in the amount of \$6,250.00, PAMA in the amount of \$305.06, Hutsons, Inc in the amount of \$33.27, and grant permission to reimburse Treasurer Hoppes for stamps and office supplies and allow Clerk Platte to purchase stamps needed for November election.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve the bills as presented with the additions of Granger in the amount of \$12.26, Barry Gaudette in the amount of \$6,250.00, PAMA in the amount of \$305.06, Hutsons, Inc in the amount of \$33.27, and grant permission to reimburse Treasurer Hoppes for stamps and office supplies and allow Clerk Platte to purchase stamps needed for November election.

Treasurer's Report— Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances as of July 31, 2024, as \$695,784.51.

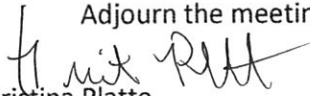
Cemetery Business: Cemtery Sexton Bill Nurenberg discussed increasing the cost for digging the hole for cremations, when a vault is being placed in the ground for the urn. The cedar tree in the cemetery lost a big branch near the driveway and discussed having the tree removed. Deputy Clerk Platte will be at the September meeting to present the Cemetery Software.

Announcements: The next meeting is Thursday September 26, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m.


Kristina Platte

Danby Township Clerk

Danby Township Regular Meeting
September 26, 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: Supervisor Platte, Trustee Schafer, Trustee Nurenberg, Treasurer Hoppes, Clerk Platte

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes August 29, 2024:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer CARRIED
 Approve regular meeting minutes August 29, 2024 as presented.

Approval of Agenda: Add #1 under New Business – Shane Merryfield Snow Removal

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED
 Approve the agenda as amended.

Communications:

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

Public Comment: Clerk Platte stated all absentee ballots that were requested have been mailed.

Unfinished Business:

Township Fiber Optics – Supervisor Platte stated Tri-County is still working on the final cost and will have an update at the September meeting.

Green Burials – Beth, Tim and Jake Ingraham residents of Danby Township were present and asked the board for approval for a green burial on their property. Supervisor Platte stated he's discussing it with the township attorney, and it may have to go through the Planning Commission.

New Business:

Shane Merryfield Snow Removal – Supervisor Platte stated he spoke with Shane Merryfield and he'll do the snowing removal for \$70.00 per hour.

Motion by Schafer Seconded by Nurenberg CARRIED
 Approve Shane Merryfield to do the snow removal at a cost of \$70.00 per hour for Winter 2024/2025.

Zoning and Assessing: Mitchel Hoppes presented his Zoning Administrator report. Supervisor Platte presented the Assessor's report for Heather Hoffman.

Commission and Committee Reports:

Road Issues – Supervisor Platte stated the gravel roads have gotten their last brine for the year. He'd like the board members to start thinking of locations that need ditching for the 2025/2026 budget year.

Planning Commission Update – The Planning Commission's next meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2024.

Danby Township Regular Meeting
September 26, 2024

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs – 1 Fire run in August, for a total of 22 in the 2024 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances as of August 31, 2024, as \$673,424.03.

Cemetery Business: Cemetery Sexton Bill Nurenberg stated there was 1-cremation, 2-full burials so far in September. Supervisor Platte stated he will contact Timber Tree Service to have the cedar tree removed in the cemetery.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

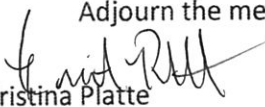
Approve Timber Tree Service to remove the cedar tree in the cemetery at a cost of up to \$2,000.00.

Announcements: The next meeting is Thursday October 24, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.


Kristina Platte

Danby Township Clerk

Danby Township Regular Meeting
October 24, 2024

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 September 2024 Regular Meeting:

Motion by Nurenburg Seconded By Schafer CARRIED
Approve minutes of September 2024 Regular Meeting as presented.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Schafer Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED
Approve the agenda as presented.

Communications:

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED
Place communications on file. Supervisor Platte suggested moving the communication section of the meeting minutes to the zoning and assessing section as the topics are related.

Public Comment:

None

Unfinished Business:

1. **Fiber Optics Update** – Brandon Trierweiler presented Township Fiber Overview and Map.

Trustee Schafer asked about a plan for the remainder of the township. Trierweiler mentioned BEED grants and Homeworks plan to apply for grant money that could assist in the build out of fiber within Danby Township. Homeworks would be willing to discuss a partnership after phase one to continue the build out but is currently focusing on phase one activities.

Motion to Accept the fiber optics proposal from Tri-County (Homeworks) in the amount of \$450,000 for 7.46 miles of fiber to cover 222 homes in Danby Township.

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Hoppes
In favor: All Opposed: None CARRIED

2. **Green Burials-** The township is gathering Information from lawyer (Mike) with green burial experience. Dan Platte will contact him.

New Business:

Danby Township Regular Meeting
October 24, 2024

1. **Election Workers Payment after November 5, 2024 Election-** Motion to pay the election workers prior to the next meetings disbursements.

Motion by D Platte Seconded by Schafer

In favor: All Opposed: None

CARRIED

2. **Top 5 Project Grants for Budget Year 2025/2026-** Board made suggestions on top projects that the township might be able to apply for grants

-fiber optics/communications

-road safety

-generator for hall

-cemetery maintenance

-public record storage

-Blite issues

-Gas containment

-boat landing sites (Public-cano/kayak)

Business with no update (No action will be taken-placeholder only):

1. Partition in Office side of Township hall – no update
2. Grant writer for township projects

Zoning & Assessing:

1. **Zoning Administator Report-** Planning commission is working on the Green Burial process. Supervisor Platte asked for updates on two properties on Grand River. One is being cleaned up and Mitchel will send a letter to the other. Supervisor Platte and Mitchel will make a visit to resident on Nelson Rd to discuss fencing and home based business.
2. **Assessor Report-** we need two more people for the Board of Review immediately. They should be sworn in so that they can attend training on December 4th or 5th. Two members are required to facilitate the December meetings.

Commission & Committee Reports:

1. **Road Issues-** County will be sending Township road project updates. Gravel is being place on Musgrove Hwy. Nurenberg inquired if the ditching was done on Musgrove Hwy and Platte confirmed that it was done and they did culverts also.

Schafer mentioned that the paint used on the chip and seal projects by the county still seems to be an issue. The county paints in one direction and then comes back in the other direction to try to mitigate the issue.

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October 24, 2024

2. **Planning Commission Update-** 2025 meetings have been scheduled for January 15, April 16, August 20, and October 15.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 2 Fire runs in September for a total of 24 in the 2024 year. Supervisor Platte will ask if we should do something regarding lift assistance calls made by assisted living facilities.

Trustee Schafer inquired if the burn ban was still on, Platte confirmed it was lifted.

Bills- Treasurer Hoppes presented the bills. Supervisor Platte added a check to Dan Platte for the purchase of 2 flags.

Motioned by Hoppes Seconded by D Platte CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented with addition of check to Dan Platte for \$69.60 for purchase of 2 flags.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Hoppes reports month end balance \$672,008.76.

Cemetery Business:

Sexton Nurenberg reported water is turned off and trash cans have been put away. There has been a total of 14 foundations for the year. His records show the township has taken in \$3790.25 and spent \$417.15. There are 10 bags of concrete left over from the year. No burials in October. Oil barrel is full so Bill will get a new Barrel and facilitate disposing of the old oil.

Announcements:

*Reminder that next regular meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2024.

Public Comment:

None

Adjournment:

Motion by Schafer Seconded by Nurenburg

Adjourned at 8:11 PM

