

Danby Township Regular Meeting
June 29, 2023

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 Minutes Special Meeting Budget Workshop March 23, 2023:

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve minutes of Special Meeting Budget Workshop held March 23, 2023 as presented.

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting March 23, 2023:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED

Approve minutes of Regular Meeting March 23, 2023 as presented.

Approval of Minutes Public Hearing Meeting March 30, 2023:

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by Nurenberg CARRIED

Approve minutes of Public Hearing Meeting March 30, 2023 as presented.

Approval of Minutes Budget Hearing Meeting March 30, 2023:

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve minutes of Budget Hearing Meeting March 30, 2023 as presented.

Approval of Minutes Special Meeting March 30, 2023:

Motion by Nurenberg Seconded by Schafer CARRIED

Approve minutes of Special Meeting March 30, 2023 as presented.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by D. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Approve the agenda as presented.

Communications:

Motion by D. Nurenberg Seconded by K. Platte CARRIED

Place Communications on file.

Public Comment: Jeanne Vandersloot presented her Zoning Administrator report. Treasurer Hoppes stated that effective July 1, 2023 residents are able to pay their property taxes online. Clerk Platte gave an update on the BS&A Software. Clerk Platte gave an update on the August 8, 2023 election.

Unfinished Business:

Fiber Optics – Tri-County didn't get the grant they applied for fiber optics. They did mention applying for another grant called BEAD and will keep Supervisor Platte informed on the status of this grant.

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Supervisor Platte will be reaching out to Point Broadband to see if they can provide any service to Danby Township residents.

Zoning Administrator Contract – Jeanne stated she will probably be retiring at the end of this year December 2023. Her responsibilities and job duties were discussed along with the right approach for a replacement.

PAMA Agreement – Supervisor Platte stated they are still working on a revised agreement with Portland Township to replace the current PAMA Agreement.

New Business:

Special Use Permit – Denise Dunning at 10312 applied for a special use permit for a Bed and Breakfast at her residence. The Planning Commission reviewed, held a public hearing and recommended the Danby Township Board approve this request.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Approve the Special Use Permit for Denise Dunning to have a Bed and Breakfast located at 10312 Charlotte Highway Portland, MI 48875.

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

NAYS: none

MOTION CARRIED

Fire Truck Purchase – At the March 23, 2023 meeting the Danby Township Board voted in favor of PAFA purchasing a new fire truck within the 2024 budget year. The next step after this fire truck purchase will be replacing the trucks that are used for grass fires.

Motion by: K. Platte Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED

Commission & Committee Reports:

Road Issues – Supervisor Platte stated there is a new brining company this year that Ionia County contracted with. The second brine will be put down sometime in mid-July

Planning Commission Update - The Planning Commission held a public meeting on April 19, 2023 for Denise Dunning’s Bed and Breakfast special use permit.

Officer Reports:

Fire Runs - 0 Fire runs in March, 2 Fire runs in April, 5 Fire runs in May for a total of 11 in the 2023 year.

Bills- Clerk Platte presented the bills.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by D. Platte CARRIED

Pay the bills for April 25, 2023 post audit as presented.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Pay the bills for May 18, 2023 post audit as presented.

Clerk Platte presented the bills for June 29, 2023 with the additions of BS&A Software in the amount of \$12,300.00, City of Portland in the amount of \$1,992.62 and Michele Hoppes in the amount of \$100.00.

Motion by K. Platte Seconded by Hoppes CARRIED

Pay the bills for June 29, 2023 with the additions of BS&A Software in the amount of \$12,300.00, City of Portland in the amount of \$1,992.62 and Michele Hoppes in the amount of \$100.00.

Treasurer’s Report - Treasurer Hoppes presented the balances with a total of \$698,333.06.

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Cemetery Business:

Cemetery Sexton Bill Nurenberg stated the grass is dead due to the dry weather. There are moles in the back area of the cemetery. Supervisor Platte stated the cemetery software will be entered and done by Deputy Clerk Olivia Platte. She will present her hours and give an estimate on how long it'll take her to complete the entry of information into the software at the July meeting.

Announcements: The next meeting is scheduled for July 27, 2023.

Public Comment: Supervisor Platte stated that he and Clerk Platte will be on vacation from June 30th to July 8th, 2023.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Kristina Platte
Danby Township Clerk