

Kearney Township Board Meeting
January 7, 2019
Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Present – Niepoth, Fleet, Hagood, Valuet. Absent – Petrie.

Hagood stated a conflict of interest in regard to Rex Hagood's appointment to the Board of Review under New Business on the agenda.

Motion by Valuet supported by Fleet to approve the agenda with the addition of B. under Old Business: Verizon Tower; and the addition of H. under New Business: Agreement for Collection of Summer Taxes, carried.

Motion by Hagood supported by Fleet to approve the minutes of the December 3rd meeting with the words “as presented” being added after \$3,713.64 in the paragraph approving payment of the bills, carried.

Motion by Valuet supported by Hagood to approve payment of the bills, as presented, totalling \$5,584.84, contingent upon clarification of the Graham Wendling bill, carried.

Public comment time given.

Old Business:

The Township Ambulance Authority meeting for December was cancelled so no update given.

With respect to the Verizon tower, an email from the Verizon attorney was shared with the Board. The Verizon application has been withdrawn.

New Business:

The start date for the second Board of Review meeting will be March 13, 2019.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood to adopt the Resolution to Adopt Waiver of Interest and Penalty for Property Transfer Affidavits. Roll Call Vote of Yeas: Niepoth, Fleet, Hagood, Valuet. Nays: None. Absent: Petrie. Motion carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Valuet to adopt the Resolution to Adopt Guidelines for Poverty Exemption. Roll Call Vote of Ayes: Niepoth, Fleet, Hagood, Valuet. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Fleet to adopt the Resolution to Approve Poverty Exemption Application. Roll Call Vote of Yeas: Niepoth, Fleet, Hagood, Valuet. Nays: None. Absent: Petrie. Motion carried.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood to adopt Resolution to Approve Application and Policy for Exemption of Real and/or Personal Property. Roll Call Vote of Yeas: Niepoth, Fleet, Hagood, Valuet. Nays: None. Absent: Petrie. Motion carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Fleet to adopt Resolution to Adopt Procedures for Granting and Removing Real and Personal Property Exemptions. Roll Call Vote of Yeas: Niepoth, Fleet, Hagood, Valuet. Nays: None. Absent: Petrie. Motion carried.

Board reviewed updated Budget worksheets which included expenses through November 30, 2018. Changes were recommended and Valuet moved to amend the 2018/2019 budget with fund balance expenditures of \$266,661.00 as shown on the amended budget. Hagood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Valuet and supported by Niepoth to appoint Rex Hagood to the Board of Review for a 2 year term, carried.

Motion by Valuet and supported by Hagood to appoint Tony Martinek and Tim Hannert to the Board of Review, each for a 2 year term, carried.

Motion by Valuet and supported by Hagood to appoint Marcia Varble as an alternate member of the Board of Review for a 2 year term, carried.

Supervisor received correspondence regarding transfer of right of way agreement from Charter Communications to Spectrum Mid-America LLC. Supervisor contacted Charter with questions but has not yet received a response. Tabled until next meeting.

Treasurer received two Agreements for Collection of Summer School Property Taxes, one from the Bellaire Public Schools and one from the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District. Motion by Fleet and supported by Valuet to approve both agreements, carried.

Public comment time was given.

Commissioner update by Terry Van Alstine.

Officer's Reports: Hagood advised that the Riverside Energy settlement has been finalized; the ACH positive pay system is now active; the MTA annual conference is scheduled for the beginning of April; and the cost of stamps is increasing the end of January.

Motion by Niepoth and supported by Fleet to approve Hagood and Valuet attending annual MTA conference. Motion carried.

Motion by Valuet and supported by Fleet to approve purchase of 30 rolls of stamps. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Year-end letter and President's Report received from Swiss Village East and Sheriff's Report received.

Supervisor comments.

Motion by Hagood supported by Valuet to adjourn the meeting, carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Michelle Valuet, Trustee