

**Kearney Township Board Regular Meeting
4820 Aero Park Drive, Bellaire, MI 49615**

December 7, 2020

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Niepoth, Hagood, Giar, Murray and Valuet.

Conflict of Interest: Giar with respect to 2020/2021 Snow Plow contract under Old Business, B.

Motion by Giar, supported by Murray, to approve agenda with the addition of G. Board Appointments under New Business, carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Giar, to approve the November 9, 2020 Township Board Meeting minutes, as presented, carried.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood, to approve payment of the bills, as presented, subject to verifying Jim Lundy invoice with Assessor, in the amount of \$24,383.89, carried.

Public Comment: Steve Grill, township resident, discussed the current condition of Del Mason Road. Primary focus was to raise awareness of the poor condition of the road and encourage that the road be fixed as soon as possible.

Old Business:

Supervisor was unable to attend the November 24, 2020 Township Ambulance Authority meeting.

Giar presented snow plowing contract to the Board which specifies \$40.00 per time for ½ lot plowing and \$70.00 per time for full lot plowing, during the 2020/2021 Plow Season. Supervisor reviewed procedure for approving contract as provided by Township attorney. Board will vote on contract at the January Regular Board meeting.

New Business:

Board discussed prior payroll payment schedule. Motion by Hagood, supported by Giar, to process all payroll checks on a monthly basis on the 1st of the month, carried.

Hagood discussed issues with alarm system at hall. Clerk to contact EPS to request a reevaluation of current system and quote to add cameras and resolve issues with current system, prior to looking at other systems.

Board of Review will meet on December 15th at 2:00 p.m.

Letter received from County Treasurer regarding tax foreclosed property. Motion by Valuet, seconded by Hagood, to adopt Resolution #12-07-2020A objecting to the transfer of tax foreclosed properties to

the township. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Niepoth, Murray, Giar, Hagood and Valuet. Nay: None

Poverty Exemption Resolution for 2021 provided to Board for review. Motion by Hagood, supported by Giar to adopt Resolution #12-07-2020B. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Niepoth, Murray, Giar, Hagood and Valuet. Nay: None

Supervisor and Clerk briefed the Board and provided a copy of the Township's response to the Bellaire Community Partner Survey.

Board discussed need for additional office chairs for staff. Motion by Niepoth, supported by Giar to approve the purchase of four office chairs, carried.

Board discussed appointment of Board representative to ZBA and Planning Commission. Motion by Valuet, seconded by Hagood, to appoint Giar to ZBA Board for four year term. Murray to attend next Planning Commission meeting prior to decision on appointment.

County Commissioner VanAlstine updated the Board on county business.

Officer Reports: Treasurer reviewed history of current Huntington bank service fees on general fund account and advised waiver will be provided of the monthly \$5.00 fee, but the Board agreed that fees relating to fraud protection should continue. Clerk advised Board of some IRS issues that have surfaced during a review of former Clerk's files.

Correspondence: Supervisor received correspondence from Al's aerial spraying regarding spraying for gypsy moths; and FEMA correspondence regarding a flood assessment that is being done.

Supervisor Comments: Supervisor approached about naming the Township building after a former supervisor. Since the current building resulted from the efforts of more than just one person this will not be pursued.

Motion by Giar, supported by Hagood, to adjourn meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Michelle D. Valuet, Clerk