

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

February 1, 2021

Minutes

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

Roll Call: Niepoth (Kearney Township, MI), Hagood (Kearney Township, MI), Murray (Kearney Township, MI) and Valuet (Kearney Township, MI). Each Board member participated electronically via Zoom.

Conflict of Interest: Murray with respect to reappointment of T. Murray to BOR under New Business.

Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to approve agenda as presented, carried.

Niepoth introduced Resolution Establishing Procedures to Allow Electronic Meetings, Motion by Valuet to adopt Resolution # 02-01-2021A, seconded by Murray. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Niepoth, Hagood, Murray and Valuet. Nay: None.

Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to approve the December 7, 2020 Township Board Meeting minutes, as presented, carried.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood, to approve payment of the bills, as presented, in the amount of \$32,741.65, carried.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

Supervisor updated Board regarding Giar's letter of resignation due to his appointment to the Antrim County Road Commission Board. Motion by Murray to accept, with regret, Giar's letter of resignation, seconded by Hagood, carried.

Supervisor updated Board on Township Ambulance Authority (TAA) meetings held on December 29, 2020 and January 26, 2021. In addition, Supervisor provided background information and update on millage proposal and resolution approved by the TAA Board on January 26th. Millage election to be held in May, 2021.

Giar Excavating snow plowing contract was presented to the Board in December proposing \$40.00 per time for ½ lot plowing and \$70.00 per time for full lot plowing, during the 2020/2021 Plow Season. Motion by Valuet, seconded by Murray to approve contract as presented, carried.

Sheriff Bean provided an update on the proposed county wide Township Fireworks Ordinance.

New Business:

Valuet advised Board that an EPS representative visited the hall and will provide a quote for cameras. Also advised that alarm fobs are no longer available. Apps are now used to access alarm system but an upgrade of the Township's current system would be required.

Board of Review Resolutions introduced. 1. Resolution to allow residents to protest in writing for the upcoming March Board of Review meetings. Motion by Hagood, supported by Murray to adopt Resolution # 02-01-2021B. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Niepoth, Murray, Hagood and Valuet. Nay: None. 2. Revised Poverty Exemption Resolution adopting a new Poverty Exemption Application. Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood to adopt Resolution # 02-01-2021C. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Niepoth, Murray, Hagood and Valuet. Nay: None.

Supervisor advised that there is a Board of Review alternate member vacancy. Board discussed putting a notice in the paper for the Board of Review and Trustee vacancies.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood to reappoint Tim Murray to the Board of Review for a 2 year term ending on December 31, 2022, Murray abstained, carried. Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood, to reappoint Tim Hannert and Dick Jacques to the Board of Review for a 2 year term ending December 31, 2022, carried.

Current policy only allows Treasurer to have a credit card. Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood to adjust current credit card policy to allow Clerk to have a credit card, carried.

Hagood updated Board regarding agreements with Bellaire Public Schools and TBAISD for collection of summer taxes. Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to approve the agreements, Resolution # 02-01-2021D, for collection of summer taxes, as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Niepoth, Murray, Hagood and Valuet. Nay: None.

County Commissioner VanAlstine updated the Board on county business.

Officer Reports: Valuet updated Board on payroll tax form/941 preparation by DGN; Xerox proposal for upgraded multi-function machine; QuickBooks Administrator issue; and Budget worksheet.

Correspondence/Supervisor Comments: Letters from Chief Shumaker, Bellaire Fire Department regarding firefighter training and potential government grants; and letter and budget from Bellaire Public Library.

Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to adjourn meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Michelle D. Valuet, Clerk