

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

March 14, 2022

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

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

Conflict of Interest: None.

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

Motion by Murray, supported by Alger, to approve the February 7, 2022 Township Board Meeting minutes, as presented, carried.

Motion by Murray, supported by Valuet, to approve payment of the bills and monthly bank service charges, as presented, totaling \$18,004.03, carried.

Public Comment: Sheriff Dan Bean updated the Board on February, 2022 activity, and staff training/additions.

Old Business:

No Township Ambulance Authority meeting in February. Next meeting on March 22, 2022.

Latest draft of Cemetery Ordinance discussed. Motion by Valuet, seconded by Alger, to adopt Ordinance No. 03-14-2022 with changes noted, carried. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Niepoth, Murray, Valuet, Hagood and Alger. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion by Niepoth, supported by Murray, to appoint C. Rix to the Planning Commission for a three year term, contingent upon his resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals, carried.

Township attorney is preparing road millage language, which will be finalized upon receipt of property tax information. The language will need to be approved and submitted by May to be on the August ballot.

Valuet reviewed differences in proposed Consumers Energy Company Electric Franchise Ordinance when compared to current version. Proposed Ordinance will be sent to Township attorney for review.

New Business:

Board discussed proposed 2022/2023 Budget, including proposed salary/wage increases and line

items where increases are needed.

Due to changes in Michigan Representative district and County Commissioner structure, new voter registration ID cards must be issued to all registered voters in Township. Reviewed KCI quote. Clerk will retain KCI for job.

Supervisor reviewed Wolverine Fireworks request for display on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at Shanty Creek. Motion by Hagood, supported by Murray, to approve Wolverine Fireworks contract for July 3, 2022, carried.

Proposed meeting dates for regular Board meetings in 2022/2023 discussed and approved.

Public Comment: Resident asked if Board received road report information.

County Commissioner VanAlstine updated the Board on county business.

Officer Reports: Treasurer requested all hall use be recorded on calendar in copy room; the Circuit Court sent the Township a check for its use of the hall even though the Township does not charge other governmental entities for hall use; the District Court has also requested to use the hall; and reminded Board of Fire Board meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Correspondence: Antrim County letter regarding its Master Plan; Bellaire Public Library letter with list of 2022 Board members, meeting dates, budget and 2021 year in review; Antrim Conservation District tree sale information; and Health Department pamphlet regarding home building/buying.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Murray, to adjourn meeting at 8:48 p.m., carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Michelle D. Valuet, Clerk