

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

April 4, 2022

Minutes

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

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

Conflict of Interest: None.

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

Motion by Murray, supported by Alger, to approve the March 14, 2022 Township Board Meeting minutes, as presented, carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Alger, to approve the March 21, 2022 Fire Board Budget Meeting minutes, as presented, carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Alger, to approve the March 28, 2022 Township Board Budget Hearing/Special Meeting minutes, as presented, carried.

Valuet noted that the February 7, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes should have stated that the “. . . January 3, 2022 Township Board Meeting minutes . . .” were approved, not the “. . . December 6, 2021 Township Board Meeting minutes. . .”

Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to approve payment of the bills and monthly bank service charges from March 15th through April 1, as presented, totaling \$13,503.47, carried.

Public Comment: Sue Cooper, from the Mancelona Area Water and Sewer Authority, advised that the Water Assessment was expected to be paid in full later this month, substantially ahead of schedule.

Old Business:

Supervisor updated Board on Township Ambulance Authority regular meeting held on March 22, 2022.

Carlin Smith, from Consumers Energy, answered questions on the proposed Franchise Ordinance. Motion by Valuet, seconded by Hagood, to adopt the Consumers Energy Company Electric Franchise Ordinance with change noted in Section 10, carried. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Niepoth, Murray, Valuet, Hagood and Alger. Nays: None. Abstain: None.

Clerk advised that Fireworks Ordinance was not published timely last year. Motion by Valuet,

seconded by Alger, to readopt the Kearney Township Consumer Fireworks Ordinance, now Ordinance No. 04-04-2022B, carried. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Niepoth, Murray, Valuet, Hagood and Alger. Nays: None. Abstain: None.

New Business:

Board reviewed road millage ballot proposal language. Motion by Murray, supported by Niepoth, approving road millage ballot proposal language, as presented, so that proposal can be submitted to electors at the August 2022 primary election, carried.

Treasurer advised there is over \$400,000 in the General Fund. The Board agreed to a transfer of \$100,000 to a 4Front CD for a one year term. Treasurer provided information on a new point and pay service for property tax payments online or at hall with a credit card or check. Fees to be paid by taxpayer.

Revolution Waste Spring Clean Up proposal presented to Board. Proposed dates: May 19th/outside of Village; June 9th/Village. Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood, to accept proposal for \$70 per compacted yard, subject to discussion with Revolution Waste to move the outside of Village to a later date, carried.

County Commissioner VanAlstine updated the Board on county business.

Officer Reports: Clerk advised that Election Public Accuracy test will be held April 12th. Hagood advised that Huntington General Fund Bank Account is now closed.

Correspondence: Be Well Meadery waste water discharge notification; letter from Morgan Associates offering auditing services; and email from B. Keiser regarding possible parks/recreation financial support.

Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to adjourn meeting at 7:46 p.m., carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Michelle D. Valuet, Clerk