

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

September 5, 2023

Minutes

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

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

Conflict of Interest: None.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Alger, to approve agenda, as amended, adding under New Business, 10.C. November Meeting Date Change, carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Alger, to approve the August 7, 2023 Township Board Meeting minutes, as presented, carried.

Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to approve payment of the bills, as presented, in the amount of \$13,008.48, carried.

Public Comment: Dan Bennett, Village Council President, provided brochure regarding November Millage proposal.

Old Business:

With respect to proposed Nuisance Ordinance, Hagood raised issue that tires are not included in the Rubbish definition and concerns with the Owner of cat/dog definition. Questions will be forwarded to Township Attorney. Further discussion tabled until next meeting.

Village of Bellaire request for matching funds for ballfield dugouts discussed. Additional information and responses to Board member questions provided by Dan Bennett and Cathy Odom, Village Treasurer. Current and future Township budget obligations discussed. Township requested Agreement from the Village for said request. Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood, to contribute \$6,000 toward four (4) dugouts at the Craven Park ballfield subject to receipt of a written agreement, carried.

New Business:

AT&T Metro Act Right-of-Way Permit Extension Request discussed. Questions raised regarding scope of Paragraph 1.8 of Right-of-way Permit. AT&T Metro Act Administrator will be contacted. Request tabled until next meeting.

Board discussed options available in response to Township Assessor relocating. Assessor's current contract expired August 30<sup>th</sup>. New employment contract to address proposed salary, contract term changes and proposal for field work responsibilities needed.

The November Board meeting is currently scheduled the day before the November 7<sup>th</sup> Special Election. Motion by Valuet, supported by Murray, to move the November 6<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting to November 13<sup>th</sup>, carried.

Public Comment: Dan Bennett, advised that the Culver paintings, currently located throughout downtown, are going up for auction on October 13<sup>th</sup>. ZBA/BOR Board member offered to assist with any Metro Act technology questions.

Officer Reports: Treasurer: property tax collection continues and informed Board of a 2022 quarterly IRS payment issue. Clerk: DDA Annual Status Report received and shared; mileage sharing arrangement for MAMC conference; U.S. Flag to be ordered for front of Hall; assistance needed with new Election Drop Box placement; need for Social Security Privacy Act Policy; and MTA email shared regarding cemetery management.

Supervisor: Update on Shumaker/Eddy School Road situation.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Alger, to adjourn meeting at 8:15 p.m., carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Michelle D. Valuet, Clerk