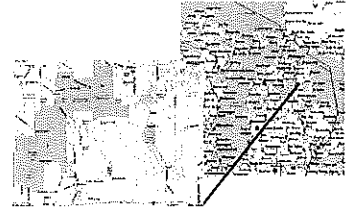


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Supervisor  
Michelle Stamboulellis  
Clerk  
Maris Metz  
Treasurer  
James Drolett,  
Karen Nolte,  
Laura Sanders,  
Karen Sikkenga,  
Trustees

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## REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020 7:00 PM

**Location:** *In accordance with the provision of the amended Open Meetings Act, the meeting was a "virtual" meeting held over Zoom videoconferencing and was properly noticed and open to the public via computer or phone.*

Meeting **called to order** by Supervisor Ratkovich at 7:00 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Recited by all.

**ROLL CALL:** Present – Supervisor Ratkovich, Clerk Stamboulellis, Treasurer Metz, Trustees Drolett, Nolte, Sanders, Sikkenga.

Present- David Rohr (Director of Zoning and Planning), Janis Miller (Recording Secretary).

**SUPERVISOR'S REMARK:** Each member introduced themselves – no conflicts of interest.

**1<sup>ST</sup> CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** 7:12pm – No Comments.

**APPROVAL of the AGENDA:** Discussion: Change agenda item "Appointment to Boards and Commissions dates – Multi Lakes Sewer Authority term expiring on 2023 and Dexter Area Fire Board term expiring in 2022 – Replace "Executive Team" with "Executive Committee" Motion by Drolett to approve the agenda as amended. Motion second by Sikkenga.

**Motion carried (7-0).**

**APPROVAL of the MINUTES:** Motion by Drolett to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. Motion seconded by Sikkenga. Roll call vote.

**Motion carried (7-0).**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** No items on the consent agenda.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

### **NEW BUSINESS: A. Appointments:**

Motion by Drolett to approve the Supervisor's appointment of Trustee Karen Sikkenga as the Township Board's representative to the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring 12/31/23. Motion second by Sanders.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Drolett, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: None**

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**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

Motion by **Drolett** to approve Trustee Karen Nolte as the Township Board's representative to the Multi Lakes Sewer Authority for a four-year term expiring 12/31/23. Motion second by **Sanders**.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Drolett, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

Motion by **Nolte** to appoint Supervisor Diane Ratkovich as the Township Board's representative to the Dexter Area Fire Department, remainder of term expiring 03/17/21. Motion second by **Sanders**.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: Drolett**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (6-1).**

Motion by **Metz** to approve Clerk Stamboulellis as the Township Board's representative to the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority for a two-year term expiring 12/31/22. Motion second by **Sanders**.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Drolett, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

Motion by **Drolett** to approve Trustee Karen Nolte as the Township Board's representative to the Washtenaw County Broadband Task Force and the Broadband Research Committee with an open-ended term expiring 11/20/24. Motion second by **Sikkenga**.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Drolett, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

Motion by **Ratkovich** to appoint the Executive Committee (Supervisor Diane Ratkovich, Clerk Michelle Stamboulellis, Treasurer Maris Metz) as the Township's Personnel Policy Committee for a 4- year term expiring 11/20/24. Motion second by **Nolte**.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Drolett, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

Drolett noted that each appointee needed to take the Oath of Office for appointments.

**NEW BUSINESS: B. Paper of Record:**

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Discussion: Statute MCL 691.1051 states that a paper of record must be in continuous circulation for two-years. The Sun Times News distribution was temporarily interrupted by COVID-19 but continued an online presence. The Sun Times News is distributed to zip codes 48130, 48118, and the City of Saline with drops in Gregory and Pinckney. Most of the township community does not subscribe to MLive. Supervisor Ratkovich received agreement from both the Michigan Township Association and Representative Donna Lasinski to reinstate the Sun Times News as a paper of record.

Motion by **Nolte** to reinstate The Sun Times News, as Dexter Township's paper of record, effective December 15, 2020, and it meets the requirements of MCL 691.1051. Motion second by **Sanders**.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Drolett, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

### **AUTHORIZATION of PAYMENTS/TRANSFER of FUNDS: Clerk Stamboulellis**

#### **Payment of Bills:**

Discussion: Why a motion is needed to pay bills. For internal controls the need to report budget variances each month. Would like to see a report of "on-time and late" property tax payments as well as comparison to prior years.

Motion by **Metz** to approve the payments of: General Fund in the amount of \$97,178.64, Fire Fund in the amount of \$68,523.81, Police Fund in the amount of \$40,288.50, Agency Fund in the amount \$3,036.50, and Gross Payroll in the amount \$34,363.04. Motion seconded by **Ratkovich**.

**Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Nolte, Drolett, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich.**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain – None.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

A. Transfer of Funds: None

**2<sup>ND</sup> CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** 7:55pm No Comments.

### **Other Issues, Comments and Concerns of Board Members & Staff:**

**Sikkenga:** Washtenaw County Road Commission Tree policy, they are looking for public comments on their webpage for their tree policy.

**Ratkovich:** Scheduling a Strategic Planning Meeting in January.

Motion by **Sanders** to hold a Special Meeting, to begin the process of Strategic Planning, on Saturday, January 16, 2020, from 11am -12noon. Motion second by **Metz**. Motion carried (7-0)

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**



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- A. Appointments (January)
- B. 2021 Fee Schedule
- C. WWRA Debt Fees for New Residential Construction
- D. Board of Review Appeals by Mail.
- E. Poverty Exemption and Asset Test Resolution.

**Adjournment:**

Motion by **Drolett** to adjourn at 8:17pm. Motion second by **Nolte**. Motion carried (7-0)

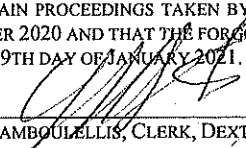
Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Stamboulellis, Clerk  
Dexter Township

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***NOTE: THESE ARE APPROVED MINUTES BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD AT THE  
JANUARY 19, 2021 REGULAR MEETING***

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, MICHELLE STAMBOULELLIS, THE DULY QUALIFIED CLERK FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF DEXTER, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FORGOING IS A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS TAKEN BY THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT A REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2020 AND THAT THE FORGOING MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD AT A SCHEDULED MEETING HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF JANUARY 2021.

  
MICHELLE STAMBOULELLIS, CLERK, DEXTER TOWNSHIP

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