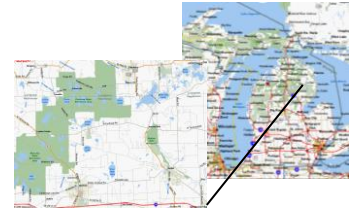


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REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD TUESDAY MARCH 15, 2022 6:00PM

Location: Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter, MI

CALL to ORDER:

PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL of the REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Changes to the agenda presented for the regular meeting: add 8f Resolution #22-644, annual meeting calendar; add 7a Oral Report on Open Space and Land Preservation; and add 7b Broadband update.

Motion by Sanders to approve the amended [Regular Meeting] agenda with the caveat that those members of the public that have just arrived have a time to speak. Motion seconded by McDole. Motion not voted on, restated below.

Discussion: Confusion of the two agendas. Attorney Roberts suggested having the call to the public now, then addressing 8a on the regular meeting agenda, and then going back to approval of the agenda for the regular meeting.

First Call for Public Comment in the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting:

Opened 6:46 PM

Molly Maciejewski, 8983 Starfield Ct.

Comment: She applauded the Board for recognizing the preservation of open space as an important issue, as protection of our natural waters and features is high on her priority list.

Question: When were the traffic counts last done on the roads? How long does the Road Commission leave the counters out on the roads?

Closed 6:48 PM

Resolution #22-640/Dexter Township General Appropriations Act/Adoption 2023

Motion by Sikkenga to approve Resolution #22-640, the Dexter Township General Appropriations Act/Adoption 2023. Motion second by Nolte.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Nolte, McDole, Stamboulellis, Ratkovich, Metz, Sanders, Sikkenga;

Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Sanders to approve the [regular meeting] agenda as amended. Motion second by Metz. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL of the MINUTES:

February 8, 2022 Township Board Work Session minutes.

Motion by Nolte to approve the minutes from February 8, 2022 meeting. Motion second by Metz. All ayes. Motion carried.

February 15, 2022 Township Board Regular meeting minutes.

Discussion: In Concerns and Comments by Board members, change the Barry Lonik “hired with a contract” to Barry Lonik “hired on a professional services contract”.

Motion by Sanders to approve the minutes as amended. Motion second by Metz. All ayes. Motion carried.

ORAL REPORTS:**Open Space and Land Preservation – Sanders**

Handout. Summary of what has happened with the OSLP. The informational meeting was a huge success and the committee would like to host another event during the summer.

Open Space and Land Preservation – Stamboulellis

Report on HRWC coalition of townships pursuing millage ballot proposals – how to campaign, spending funds, networking, and Ballot Language. The OSLP has sent out one educational flyer to the community and plans to send out 1-2 more. The Farmers “Meet and Greet” was a great success, many of our local farming / landowner families came and listened to the presentation.

Broadband – Nolte

Charter has been awarded the GAP Funding. Charter has indicated they would like to start working this year.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCE #44:**A) Resolution #22-640/Dexter Township General Appropriations Act/Adoption of 2023**

See above.

B) Resolution #22-641/Adoption of Fourth Quarter Budget Amendment

Discussion: Amendments to balance 2022/2023 Budget. Reference Budget Resolution pages 6 & 7.

Motion by Nolte to approve Resolution #22-641 as written. Motion second by Metz.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Nolte, McDole, Stamboulellis, Ratkovich, Metz, Sanders, Sikkenga; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carried 7-0.

C) Consumers Energy Franchise – Ordinance #44

Motion by Metz to approve Ordinance #44, for the Consumers Energy Franchise.

Motion second by Sikkenga.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Nolte, McDole, Stamboulellis, Ratkovich, Metz, Sanders, Sikkenga; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carried 7-0.

D) Resolution #22-642/Creation of a Road Committee – Sikkenga

Discussion: The committee will look at funding mechanisms, best practices, strategies to get better responses from the Road Commission, policy changes that the township could advocate for at the state and local level that might result in better road conditions.

Treasurer Metz was asked to create a pie chart of monies spent on roads.

Motion by Nolte to approve Resolution #22-642, to create a Dexter Township Road Committee that will report directly to the Board of Trustees. Motion second by Stambouellis.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Nolte, McDole, Stambouellis, Ratkovich, Metz, Sanders, Sikkenga; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carried 7-0.

E) Resolution #22-643/Purchase of BS&A Paycheck Program and Building Program

Discussion: DPZ stated the module is BS&A Inspections and Permitting to track all projects. Master Plan update: Master Plan is on schedule with about one quarter of the survey questions addressed. Livestream update.

Motion by McDole to pass Resolution #22-643 for purchase of BS&A paycheck and permitting program. Motion second by Metz.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Nolte, McDole, Stambouellis, Ratkovich, Metz, Sanders, Sikkenga; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carried 7-0.

F) Resolution #22-644/Set township meeting dates FY 2022-2023

Discussion: Putting Budget Workshops on calendar for next year. This calendar is for regularly scheduled Township meetings and complies with the Open Meetings Act. Concern about the December 27th Planning Commission meeting. DPZ said those were usually cancelled.

Motion by Nolte to approve the meeting schedule. Motion second by Stambouellis. All ayes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Discussion on 6900 Pinckney – Ratkovich

Tenant has given notice of vacating the premises and asks for no penalty as lease is not up until May. Possibility of selling the property as the township shouldn't be a landlord. To keep the property in the township's portfolio, hire a professional home inspector to assess condition of home and see what repairs would cost. Check what it would cost to raze the house and possibly use the land for recycling. Vacant land would be less maintenance.

Motion by McDole to allow the lease to expire early, on March 31st, for 6900 Dexter-Pinckney Road. Motion second by Nolte. All ayes. Motion carried.

B. International Fire Code – Ratkovich

Discussion: The International Fire Code acts as a basis in order to pass an Ordinance to regulate fire protection and safety. The Board needs to decide what specific pieces, of the International Fire Code, they are adoption. Attorney Roberts stated that the concept of adopting a prepublished code is to take advantage of the technical aspects of that code without having to design your own, and going through all the painstaking details. He also cautioned about extensive modifications by taking advantage of the details and technical aspects. The same fire code must be adopted by all the municipalities of DAFD [Webster Twp., Dexter Twp., and Dexter City]. Adoption of a fire code would be extending enforcement to the Dexter Area Fire Department, which doesn't exist today. DPZ Rohr stated that Chelsea Area Construction Agency enforces the building code

[primarily commercial] with references to the fire code. Rural communities without commercial development usually don't adopt a fire code.

AUTHORIZATION of PAYMENTS – Treasurer Metz

Motion by Metz for the authorization of payments in the amounts of: General Fund \$61,102.45, Fire Fund \$105,258.19, Police Fund \$41,376.51, Open Space and Land Initiative fund \$846.07, General Agency Fund \$941.50, and Payroll \$32,536.75; for a grand total of \$242,861.47 that includes gross payroll. Motion second by Sikkenga.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Nolte, McDole, Stamboulellis, Ratkovich, Metz, Sanders, Sikkenga;
Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carried 7-0.

2nd CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Opened 8:17 PM

Nick Bensinger, 6970 Dexter-Pinckney Road

He said his Great Aunt had lived in the 6900 house the township owns, and he has fond childhood memories of being in the house. He wanted to know why the township bought the house. His mother Jennifer stated that when the property sold there was an agreement that the family would have first refusal to purchase. Nick would like to purchase the property.

OTHER ISSUES, COMMENTS and CONCERNS of BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF:

Nolte: Who oversees/maintains private roads. DPZ Rohr stated that private roads and platted easements are governed by a private road agreement of the residents. There is no mechanism for the township to enforce maintenance/changes to private roads. As she is updating info at Dexter Township, she asked everyone to list the projects they are working on.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Staff Evaluations
- B. Pay increases
- C. Office staffing

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by McDole to adjourn the meeting. Motion second by Nolte. All ayes. Motion carried. The meeting was **adjourned** at 8:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Stamboulellis, Clerk
Dexter Township

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 19TH DAY OF APRIL 2022 AND THAT THE FORGOING MINUTES ARE THE DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON THE 15, DAY OF MARCY 2022.

MICHELLE STAMBOULELLIS, CLERK, DEXTER TOWNSHIP