Danby Township Regular Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2016

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. at the Danby Township Hall, 13122 Charlotte Hwy. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call Board Members: Supervisor Pohl, Trustee Reisbig, Trustee McCormack, Treasurer Kolarik, Clerk Platte

Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting January 28, 2016:

Add announcement of the hiring of Joe Pohl as assistant cemetery sexton to Cemetery section.

Motion by McCormack Seconded by Platte CARRIED

Approve the minutes of January 28, 2016 as amended.

Approval of Agenda:

Agenda amended to add Portland Parks & Recreation to New Business section.

Motion by Reisbig Seconded by Kolarik CARRIED

Approve agenda as amended.

Communications:

Motion by Kolarik Seconded by Reisbig CARRIED

Place communications on file.

Public Comment:

Cory Grimminck, Director of the Portland District Library presented the Library's Annual Report. The Danby Township representative on the Library Board is John Tannery.

Unfinished Business:

Assessor 5 year plan to reassess township - Assessor Contract

Danby Township Assessor Cheryl O'Connor is in the Third year of a 5 year plan to reassess and physically inspect all 1,557 properties. This item was tabled until the next regular board meeting that is scheduled for Thursday March 24, 2016.

Portland Area Fire Authority (PAFA) 2016-2017 Recommended Budget-

Board discussed the 2016-2017 recommended budget proposal.

MOTION by Pohl Seconded by Reisbig CARRIED

Motion to approve the PAFA 2016-2017 Recommended Budget as presented.

Roll-Call Vote:

Yeas: Reisbig, McCormack, Kolarik, Platte, Pohl

Nays: None

Motion CARRIED to approve the PAFA 2016-2017 Recommended Budget as presented ADOPTED

Fee Schedule-
Zoning Administrator Jeanne Vandersloot presented the board with the recommended fee schedule changes.
Motion by Pohl Seconded by McCormack
Motion to except proposed fee schedule increases.
Yeas: 4
Nays: 1
Motion CARRIED to except proposed fee schedule increases as presented.

2016 Gravel Location- The following Danby Township roads will receive gravel in 2016:
Butler, Van Buren, Grand River Trail, McCrumb, Frost and Clintonia Road (between Eaton Highway and Tupper Lake Road).

Removal of no truck signs on East Tupper Lake- Mike McCormack asked for the truck route signs to be removed, Dorothy Pohl from the Ionia County Road Commission indicated that the signs were put in place in 1990 because the quality of the road at the time could not handle trucks and at this time is no longer the case. A Public Hearing at the county level regarding the truck route is scheduled for March 23, 2016.

Local Bridge Program (Grant Proposal for Charlotte Hwy & Kent Street Bridges)- The bridge program provides funding for preventative bridge maintenance, rehabilitation and replacement projects. Road Commission policy requires townships provide a 50% match on all bridge projects for the engineering and 5% local share of construction costs. ICRC is requesting a financial commitment and approval to apply for the Grant which is due by May 1st, 2016.
Motion by Pohl Seconded by Reisbig CARRIED
Motion to approve the submission of the Grant application.

<u>New Business:</u>
Parking Lot Repair- Sup Pohl received a bid from Cook Brothers Excavation to repair an 18'x 36' by 8' deep section of the hall parking lot, price includes 8'' of compacted gravel and 3.5 '' of asphalt for a total cost of $7805.00. Sup Pohl to solicit other bids.

2016 City of Portland Recreational Department Requesting Contribution-
Motion by Reisbig Seconded by Kolarik CARRIED
Motion to pay $8000 for recreational services provided to the community.

<u>Commission & Committee Reports</u>:
Road Issues - Bill Nickels complained to the board regarding burms on the sides of the gravel roads that are preventing proper water drainage.
Planning Commission Update- next scheduled meeting March 16, 2016
<u>Officer Reports</u>:
Fire Runs - 1 for the month of January

Bills - Clerk Platte presented the bills with the additions of 2015 Drain at Large in the amount of $7,287.30, Pearl Barr lighting in the amount of 2093.36 and Tax Printing in the amount of $525.64.
Motion by Platte Seconded by Kolarik CARRIED
Pay bills as presented by Clerk Platte with the additions of 2015 Drain-at-Large in the amount of $7,287.30, Pearl Barr lighting in the amount of 2093.36 and Tax Printing in the amount of $525.64.
Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Kolarik presented report with an account balance of $636,135.67.

Cemetery Business:
None

Public Comment: Clerk Platte stated that the Public Accuracy Test for the 2016 Presidential Primary Election was scheduled for March 2, 2016 @ 7:00pm at the Town Hall.

Announcement: Next regular meeting scheduled for March 24, 2016.

Adjournment: Supervisor Pohl adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Daniel R. Platte
Danby Township Clerk