

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

Members present: Bill Kays, Carl Davis, Barb Fisher, Carmen Fleischauer, and Tom Landis.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Supervisor. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the last regular meeting of January 3, 2017 were reviewed and then with a consent Motion by Landis and 2nd by Fleischauer to adopt the minutes as presented. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's report was given showing a balance in the general fund of \$247,980.60. The Treasurer's report will stand as read.

Motion to approve the bills:

Motion by Fleischauer and 2nd by Landis to pay all bills as audited. Motion Passed.

Guests:

Rick Boze, Van Buren County Road Commissioner said that the county is trimming trees and will be doing cold patching when weather is permitting.

Fire Department reports:

Sister Lakes Fire Department reported for the month of January, 2017 they had one call with power lines down.

Keeler Township Fire & Rescue had six medical first responder calls and four fire related calls-two assists to Hartford Fire Department, and one assist to the Sheriff's Department, and one welfare check per alarm company. The Fire Chief said training is ongoing.

Keeler Township Fire Department has received quotes for replacement tires for unit 1635. Four bids received with a low bid of \$3469.28, next at \$3960.00, next at \$4325.50, and the high bid of \$4989.48. Motion by Davis and 2nd by Landis to award the bid to Grames Tire & Battery Inc for \$3469.28 and allow inspection for the front tires on unit 1635 at \$45.00 per tire and unit 1620 at \$35.00 per tire. Roll call vote showed Davis, Landis, Fisher, Fleischauer, and Kays all in favor of the motion. Motion Passed.

Fire member applications are still in the personnel committee for review. Nick Quinn has not turned in his equipment yet.

Pride Care report:

For the month of December, 2016 they had two priority one calls with an average response time of 4.10 minutes and for the month of January, 2017 they had five priority one calls with an average response time of 6.16 minutes.

Van Buren County Deputy report:

Deputy Ray Hochsprung reported miles driven-530, General Non-Criminal Complaints-one, Criminal Complaints-one with possession of marijuana from a traffic stop, Blight/Ordinance-one, Traffic Stops-twenty-five, Misdemeanor Citations-two, Other Citations-two, Municipal Civil Infraction/Ordinance Citations-six, Verbal Warnings-twenty-six, Field Contacts-six, Motorist Assists-one, Assist to Other Law Enforcement Agencies/Fire/EMS-one, Assist to VBCSD-eight,

Controlled Substances Seized-two, and Property Checks-one hundred four.

Zoning Administrator report:

Allyn Anthony reported that the ZBA will meet on February 21, 2017, and the Planning Commission will meet on February 28, 2017.

Legal Update:

Sister Lakes Playhouse property-citations issued and a notice to appear in court is February 15, 2017.

Property at 94337 Maple Street in Oak Park Subdivision, property has been condemned. Motion by Davis and 2nd by Landis to move forward on this with our attorney to send a letter and follow up after that. Motion Passed.

Sister Lakes Corridor Improvement Authority:

Chairman is asking for a meeting on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Ambulance contract:

Cass/Van Buren Emergency Services Authority and Pride Care Ambulance contract. Contract is for a three year renewal. Motion by Landis and 2nd by Davis to have our representative sign the contract renewal. Roll call vote showed Landis, Davis, Fisher, Kays, and Fleischauer all in favor of the motion. Motion Passed.

Budget workshop date:

After discussion, a Motion by Davis and 2nd by Fleischauer to hold a budget workshop meeting on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Motion Passed.

Personnel committee appointments:

Supervisor is requesting to change the personnel committee from two to four members with two members for a quorum. Motion by Davis and 2nd by Fisher to change the personnel committee from two to four members with two members for a quorum. Motion Passed. Supervisor is asking for approval to add Matthew Sexton and Don Blackmond to the personnel committee. Motion by Davis and 2nd by Fleischauer to approve adding Matthew Sexton and Don Blackmond to the personnel committee. Motion Passed.

Review application fees for Site Plan Review and Special Use:

After discussion a Motion by Davis and 2nd by Landis to leave the Site Plan Review fee at \$100.00 and make the Special Use Permit fee at \$900.00. Roll call vote showed Davis, Landis, Fleischauer, Kays, and Fisher all in favor of the motion. Motion Passed.

Public Comment:

Keith Pitcher had questions on our zoning ordinance. Supervisor indicated that the ordinance is under review.

Carmen Fleischauer had indicated that she has had some complaints on how our enforcement of the ordinance is handled and would like to see a better job of communicating, mailing of

letters, etc.

Carl Davis had indicated that he was not pleased with how the ordinance enforcement was handled. He felt that we need to do a better job when we have complaints or violations.

Correspondence:

Clerk has received from Southwestern Michigan Planning Commission a notice that the Master Plan is under review for Decatur Township and Hamilton Township.

Clerk has received bids for the lighting in the fire truck bay area. After discussion the Clerk would like us to move forward on the installation bid and not to exceed the \$4500.00 price quote. Motion by Davis and 2nd by Fleischauer to move forward on the lighting in the fire truck bay area and not to exceed the bid price of \$4500.00. Roll call vote showed Davis, Fleischauer, Fisher, Landis, and Kays all in favor of the motion. Motion Passed.

Motion to Adjourn:

A Motion by Landis and 2nd by Fleischauer to adjourn. Motion Passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Carl F. Davis, Clerk
Keeler Township
February 7, 2017