

Deerfield Township – Mecosta County
Regular Board Meeting
396 4th Street
Morley, MI 49336
March 13, 2024 7:00PM

1. Meeting called to order by Supervisor, Phil Stier at 7:00PM all those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Roll call:**
Supervisor, Phil Stier - here
Clerk, Michelle Lewis - here
Treasurer, Sheila Lingle - here
Trustee, Gary Lambrix - here
Trustee, Brian Carey II - here

3. **Approval of Agenda:**
Brian Carey II made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Gary Lambrix. Motion carries.

4. **Approval of Minutes:**
Sheila Lingle made a motion to approve the February minutes as presented, seconded by Brian Carey II. Motion carries.

5. **Treasurer's Report:**
Michelle Lewis made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Gary Lambrix. Motion carries.

6. **Approval of Bills and Payroll:**
Gary Lambrix made a motion to approve bills and payroll in the amount of \$14,065.27, seconded by Brian Carey II. Roll call: Brian Carey II -yes, Gary Lambrix- yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes. Motion carries.

7. **Reports:**
 - A. **County Commissioner Report per Ray Steinke:** Sherriff department is still 3 short in the correction department. They have ~~order~~ ordered 6 vans with side lifts for non-emergency medical transport.

 - B. **Assessor Report per Wayne Sutherland:** Not in attendance. He was at Board of Review for Hinton Township. He ~~has~~ had Board of Review for 2 days here in Deerfield Township. There were no issues.

C. **Fire Report per Chief Lawler:** Engine 4-4 foam unit motor possibly got some water in it and might be set up. Getting more info on the repair.

8. **Public Comment:**

Debra Kelley asked about putting a millage on the ballot for the Fire Department.

9. **Old Business:**

10. **New Business:**

A. **Approve 1.25 Operating Mills:**

Sheila Lingle made a motion to approve the 1.25 Operating Mills, seconded by Brian Carey II.

Roll call: Gary Lambrix - yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes, Brian Carey II - yes. Motion carries.

B. **2024/ 2025 Budget Approval:**

Brian Carey II made a motion to approve the 2024/2025 Budget, seconded by Sheila Lingle.

Roll call: Gary Lambrix - yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes, Brian Carey II - yes. Motion carries.

C. **Library Contract:**

Sheila Lingle made a motion to approve the Library contract, seconded by Brian Carey II. Roll

call: Gary Lambrix - yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes, Brian Carey II - yes. Motion carries.

D. **Fire Contract Approval:**

Sheila Lingle made a motion to approve the Fire Contract, seconded by Gary Lambrix.

Roll call: Gary Lambrix - yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes, Brian Carey II - yes. Motion carries.

E. **Mileage Reimbursement Resolution 2024-3:**

Brian Carey II made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-3, seconded by Phil Stier. Roll call:

Gary Lambrix - yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes, Brian Carey II - yes. Motion carries.

F. **Post Audit Resolution 2024-4:**

Gary Lambrix made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-4, seconded by Brian Carey II.

Motion carries.

G. **2024/2025 Meeting Dates:**

Sheila Lingle made a motion to set the 2024/2025 meeting dates, seconded by Brian Carey II.

Motion carries.

H. **Road Projects:**

Discussion about chip seal and fog on 155th the cost being too much this year. Michelle Lewis made a motion to move \$60,000 from the General Fund planned for road projects and place it into a high interest earning account to build for next year projects, seconded by Sheila Lingle. Roll call: Phil Stier – yes, Gary Lambrix – yes, Brian Carey II – yes, Sheila Lingle – yes, Michelle Lewis – yes. Motion carries.

I. 2023/2024 Budget Adjustments:

Michelle Lewis made a motion to approve the proposed budget adjustments, seconded by Brian Carey II. Roll call: Gary Lambrix - yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes, Brian Carey II - yes. Motion carries.

J. HHW Disposal Program:

Gary Lambrix made a motion to approve the HHW contract for \$600.00, seconded by Sheila Lingle. Roll call: Gary Lambrix - yes, Michelle Lewis - yes, Sheila Lingle - yes, Phil Stier - yes, Brian Carey II - yes. Motion carries.

K. Sign in front of Deerfield Bible Church:

A resident asked about a slow children playing sign by the Deerfield Bible Church. Discussion about it. Phil determined he would contact the resident.

11. Next Meeting April 10, 2024.

12. Brian Carey II motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM seconded by Gary Lambrix. Motion carries.