

Dafter Township Board

Supervisor: Bob Brown
Clerk: Marcella Reattoir
Treasurer: Kareen Brown
Trustee: Erik Baron
Trustee: Frank Mongene

Meeting Minutes
for
June 27, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Dafter Township Hall
2926 W. 10 Mile Road
Dafter, MI 49724

1. Call to order at 7:00 pm

- **PRESENT:** Kareen Brown Present, Marcella Reattoir Present, Bob S Brown Present,
Frank Mongene Present, Erik Baron Present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of the Agenda

Marcella Reattoir Moved to approve the agenda with the addition of “acceptance of the planning commission minutes” with support from Kareen Brown.

Passed/ Did not pass Passed unanimously

4. Approval of Minutes

-**May 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Erik Baron moved to accept the minutes with support Frank Mongene.

Passed/ Did not pass Passed unanimously

- Acceptance of Planning Commission Minutes - Bob S Brown moved to accept the Planning Commission Minutes with support from Erik Baron. Passed unanimously.

5. Citizen’s Comments

None

6. County Commissioner Report

None

7. Community Services Board

Bob S Brown reported that the June workday on the basketball court went well. He made a recommendation to replace two of the basketball hoops.

8. Fire Chief Report

Bob presented a report on behalf of Austin Conway.

9. Treasurer’s Report

10. Approval of Bills

-**Approval of Credit Card Charges**

Erik Baron moved to approve credit card charges and any cash reimbursements with support from Frank Mongene Passed/ Did not pass Passed unanimously.

-**List of Bill Payments to be provided at meeting**

Kareen Brown moved to pay the bills for check #s **9229-9245** with support from Erik Baron Passed/ Did not pass Passed unanimously.

**Reminder to have final bills turned in for each FY by the March meeting of that FY.

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11. Supervisor's Report

- Zoning Administrator's Report

- 4 new permits issued this month. Also, Kinross EMS, at their last meeting, wants us to ask for 4 miles for creating an EMS authority. Bob will attend the meeting next month on July 26 at 6 pm.

- Dafter Township has been providing more mutual aid to Superior Township due to their entire fire department resigning. Therefore, Bob S Brown made a motion to take effect July 1, 2023, to charge \$5000 for the first hour of mutual aid per call to any fire department without their own fire department with an additional fee of \$1000 per hour after that first hour AND this is contingent upon the availability of the Dafter Township Fire Department and in no way guarantees aid. Erik Baron supported the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Kareen Brown Yes, Marcella Reattoir Yes, Bob S Brown Yes, Frank Mongene Yes, Erik Baron Yes. Motion passed unanimously.

- Update on Road Projects

- Update on the Pavilion

- still getting quotes – will wait until the spring.

- Road Brining

- vanDamme did the job for the township at a cost of 67¢/gallon.

- Clean Up Day

- Good turnout for this. Some citizens expressed thoughts on having another cleanup day in the Fall.

- Jake-braking ordinance

- Bob spoke with Keith Erickson. Most new trucks are built to engine brake and are going to be naturally louder.

- Update from Zoning Meeting on June 19, 2023 regarding hobby farm

- This hobby farm was approved with stipulations. Additionally, the owners are not allowed to use the parking lot to access their property. Discussion is going on with Cloverland regarding 2 more light poles being installed.

OTHER -The furnace room has been cleaned out and totes with various supplies have been put in the old records room. Also, we are looking for someone to give us a conceptual idea on what we can do to renovate the townhall.

12. Correspondence

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13. Clerk's Report

-Budget to Actual Report

-New QuickBooks – working great

-Update State W-4 - completed

-Update on Proposal 2 implementation

Audit – pension audit with Burnham & Flowers was submitted. There was also an Accident Fund audit that has been submitted.

Budget Correction – Erik Baron moved to correct the budget issue in regard to the trustee salaries which also includes a correction in the trustee retirement plans. Kareen Brown supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

14. Old Business

- Update on the poverty resolution and recommendations from the attorney

Bob S Brown met with attorney Mark Dobias regarding the poverty resolution. It was recommended that the township have guidelines to grant 0%, 25%, 50%, or 100% relief. It was also recommended to have a sliding scale and the law does allow for partial exemptions. Bob S Brown will draft a sliding scale for the Board members to look over before the July Board meeting so it can be approved at the July meeting.

15. New Business

16. Adjournment

Kareen Brown moved to adjourn at 9:25 PM with support from Erik Baron.
Passed/ Did not pass Passed unanimously.