

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 13, 2022

The January 13th meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hass at 6:30 p.m. Roll call taken. Present: Brunner, Gillam, Glaze, Hass. Absent: Bundle.

Additional Attendees: Kevin and Rose Kelsheimer, Harold Eltzroth, Val Locke, Karen Nelson

Pledge of Allegiance - yes

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Karen Nelson representing the Cass Co Conservation District left a poster and leaflets.

CORRESPONDANCE: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Gillam, seconded by Brunner to approve the December 9, 2021 minutes as presented. Motion Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Brunner, seconded by Hass to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion Approved.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion by Gillam, seconded by Hass to approve payment of bills as presented. Motion Approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Marijuana (Cannabis) Ordinance- Brunner suggested holding a public forum for residents to voice their opinions and ask questions before we have discussion of whether to proceed with creating an ordinance. We will ask township attorney to be in attendance. Board members agree that we should proceed with a public forum.
- Changing tables – Motion by Gillam, seconded by Glaze to use ARPA funds to pay for the changing tables to be installed in both restrooms. Motion Approved.
- Security camera – 2nd Vendor Quote. Hass found a Ring Security System at Costco for around \$1000.00 that appears to meet our needs. He will get further information regarding this.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Resolution to refinance water and sewer bond. This will lower our overall payout. Motion by Hass, seconded by Glaze to sign the resolution to refinance. Roll call vote – all yes. Motion Approved.
- Board of Review Proposals: #2022-1 Alternate December 2022 Hearing date, #2022-2 Alternate July 2022 Hearing Date, #2022-3 Poverty Exemption. Motion by Hass, seconded by Brunner To adopt all 3 proposals as presented. Roll call vote – all yes. Motion Approved.
- Approval of Board of Trustees and Planning & Zoning Commission 2022 meeting schedules. Motion by Brunner, seconded by Glaze to approve. Motion Approved.

EMERGENCIES SERVICES/UTILITIES:

- Central Cass Ambulance:** Dean reported that longest response time in December was 13 min 4 sec. in Jefferson Township. This falls within the expected response time.
- Central Cass Inter-local Fire Department:** no new business
- Edwardsburg Fire Department:** no new business
- CAUA:** no new business

INSPECTORS REPORTS:

- Zoning:**
- Building:**
- Plumbing/Mechanical:**
- Electrical:**

BOARD OF REVIEW: None

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION:

- January 5th re-zoning of county property as part of Solar Project was tabled by D. Majewski as No county representative present to answer questions. Many township residents in attendance. Meeting has been rescheduled to March 16th.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: no business

OTHER BUSINESS: None

With no other business before the board, Gillam moved to close the meeting, seconded by Glaze. At 7:06 meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Brunner
Clerk