

Hamilton Township Board
November 09, 2022
7:00 p.m. - Hamilton Township Hall

1. Call to Order/Pledge

The board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Druskovich. Also Present: Clerk Rebecca Mott, Treasurer Sandra Hanson, and Trustees Richard Conway and Karen Makay. There were five guests present.

2. Limited Public Comments

None.

3. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: New Business: d) Electrical repairs – Township Hall

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Makay, second by Conway, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

5. Consent Agenda

- a) Approval of the October 11, 2022, meeting minutes as presented.
- b) Monthly Budget Report for October - Cash Balances as of 10/31/22: General Fund - \$275,438.74; Road Fund - \$58,031.11; Lake of the Woods Weed Fund - \$2,621.19.
- c) Payment of Bills
- d) Indiana-Michigan Power Notice

Motion by Conway, second by Makay, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

6. Old Business

- a) **NFPI – FEMA - meetings** – Supervisor Druskovich will watch for any information that may concern Hamilton Township.
- b) **Open Field Project** – Lucas from the Conservation District is keeping track of what needs to be done and when.
- c) **Neighborhood Watch** – Currently 1,300 members on the Facebook page. Jaime is looking for volunteers to help with upkeep of the Facebook page and meetings. Meeting scheduled for November 17, 2022, 5:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. If interested, please contact Jaime Stone-McEnaney at nw49045@outlook.com for more information.
- d) **Covid relief funds – ARPA** – The Township Board is still looking into options for ways to spend the funds.
- e) **Broadband Mapping** – Mapping has been completed. Hamilton Township has 113 residents who are still in need of internet services. Funding options are being discussed. Grants may be available.
- f) **Building inspector** – Supervisor Druskovich and the Townships Attorney will petition the state to be able to select a building inspector.

Motion by Conway, second by Makay, to approve the request from Supervisor Druskovich to the petition the state. Motion carried.

- g) **Electrical inspector** – Supervisor Druskovich and the Townships Attorney will petition the state to be able to select an electrical inspector.

Motion by Conway, second by Makay, to approve the request from Supervisor Druskovich to petition the state. Motion carried.

- h) **Savion Solar Project Update** – Savion, LLC. applied for their special exception use permit in June of 2022. Supervisor Druskovich asked for a motion to approve the special use permit, the site plan as approved by the Townships Planning Commission, the decommissioning plan, and the PA 116 status to be reviewed by the Townships attorney and Supervisor Druskovich unless significant changes are required.

Motion by Conway, second by Makay, to approve the special use permit, the site plan as approved by the Townships Planning Commission, the decommissioning plan, and the PA 116 status to be reviewed by the Townships attorney and Supervisor Druskovich unless significant changes are required. Motion carried.

- i) **LOW Buoys** – Highs Marine will remove and store the buoys for the Lake of the Woods Association.

7. New Business

- a) **Assessor Proposal/review** – Hamilton Townships Assessor Ben Brousseau presented a proposal to assess the parcels in Hamilton Township. The Board will review the proposal and make a decision in the coming months.

- b) **Drain assessments** – The 2022 drainage project special assessment invoice was reviewed and approved for payment.
- c) **PA116 – Joe Hassle Jr.** – The PA116 paperwork has been completed.
Motion by Makay, second by Conway to approve the PA 116 application from Joe Hassle Jr. Motion carried.
- d) **Electrical repairs - Township Hall** – Supervisor Druskovich will get quotes to do needed electrical repairs at the Township Hall.

8. Reports

Supervisor – Board of Review training; Board of Review organizational meeting to be held on December 13, 2022, at 12:00 p.m.; Road Commission clean up of an oak tree limb on Territorial; Electrical repairs; Security cameras

Treasurer – Winter taxes going out December 01, 2022; Website updates

Clerk – Good turn out for the Election; EMC Ins Audit completed

Zoning – Zoning violation letters mailed out

County - Commissioner Hanson gave various updates on County business

Sheriff – Trash citation issued; six speeding tickets issued; one accident reported

Fire Board/Quick Response – QR building door repair

Grange Hall – The Grange Hall dance held on November 5, 2022, was well attended

Roads- Gravel down; CR 215 graded; Call dispatch at 269-674-8011 for weather related issues and downed trees or Supervisor Druskovich at 269-423-7866

Senior Services – The Board is looking into options to combine with other Townships to make a strong program for our residents

Conservation District – Member awarded a national award for top 40 under 40; 1.4 million in grants currently; Contact the Conservation District at 269-657-4030 ext. 5 for information on available programs and resources for our area

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Makay, second by Conway, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Rebecca Mott, Hamilton Township Clerk