DALLAS TOWNSHIP Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting January 13, 2025 @ 2:00 p.m. Immediately following the Public Hearing at 2:26 pm Approved February 10, 2025

Members Present:	Feldpausch, Vern	Schafer, Mindy
	Douglass, Elizabeth	Halfmann, Kate

Feldpausch,

Patrick

Absent: None

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> A motion was made by E. Douglass, supported by P. Feldpausch to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

<u>Minutes of Meetings –December 9, 2024</u> A motion was made by E. Douglass, supported by V. Feldpausch to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2024 board meeting. Motion carried.

<u>Approval of Bills:</u> A motion was made by E. Douglass, supported by V. Feldpausch to approve the payment of the monthly bills totaling \$\$8,228.03 in General Fund bills, \$\$2,199.60 in Fire Department and any other regular bills received prior to next meeting. Motion carried.

<u>Reports</u>

Fire Department: Chief Feldpausch reported the department received a DNR grant which will pay for 4 new sets of gear, in the amount of \$4999. Tristan Smith has joined the department, which puts them fully staffed following Ryan George's retirement. Tristan is EMT certified and attending GVSU to become a nurse.

Clerk: Clerk Schafer reported that she spoke with Patti Schafer to assist in W-2 preparation again this year. She attended the December Planning Commission to swear in new member, Tony Jandernoa and to update the commission on the lawsuit regarding renewable energy. Deputy Koenigsknecht is preparing a binder for Tony.

Treasurer: Treasurer Halfmann reported that 66% of winter taxes have been collected to date. She shared with the board that Thelen Market has been sold to Blarney Castle Oil.

Supervisor: Supervisor Feldpausch reported that he is currently working on two land divisions.

Old Business

Clinton County Wide Broadband-NONE

Wind Turbines-NONE

C.A.A.S. Ballot-Update was given during the public hearing prior to this meeting. Wind and Solar Ordinance-Planning Commission is in limbo and will be addressed on a per case basis. No update from lawsuit filed on behalf of participating townships.

<u>New Business</u>

Clinton County Commissioners Report-Zach Rudat was in attendance and also provided a written report to the board. In addition, Zach will be posting monthly updates on his social media accounts. He also mentioned that county board meetings will soon be livestreamed.

Zoning Administrators Report-None

Planning Commission–Chairman Leach asked Trustee Feldpauisch to provide a list of his duties and responsibilities. Supervisor Feldpausch provided Trustee Feldpausch with a list of duties and responsibilities of the planning commission.

2025 Poverty Exemption Guidelines A motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by E. Douglass to approve the 2025 Poverty Exemption Guidelines & Resolution. Motion carried.

Fire Stand By Fee Increase for Bengal and Lebanon Twp. Following discussion regarding an increase in retainer fee schedule for Bengal and Lebanon Township, A motion was made by P. Feldpausch, supported by E. Douglass to approve an increase to \$2500 for Lebanon Township and \$6500 for Bengal Township, effective January 1, 2026. Motion carried.

Public Comments (3 min. limit)-The board discussed the possible implications of the new mandatory sick time law.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

There being no further business, a motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by E. Douglass to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mendy Schafer

Mindy Schafer, Dallas Township Clerk