DALLAS TOWNSHIP Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting May 14, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.

Members Arens, Gerry Koenigsknecht, Therese Schafer, Stephanie

Present: Feldpausch, Vern Schafer, Phil

Guest: Goerge, Scott (Dallas Twp. FD)

Martin, Paul & Pamela (Dallas Township citizens)
Thelen, Dave & Teresa Thelen (Dallas Township citizens)

<u>Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Feldpausch at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: Supervisor Feldpausch also recognized the guests listed above.

Minutes of Last Meeting - April 2, 2013: P. Schafer stated that under Public Budget Hearing that the word "suggestion" should be "suggested". A motion was made by P. Schafer, supported by S. Schafer to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2013 meeting with the above noted correction. Motion carried.

Additions or Correction to Agenda/Approval of Agenda: V. Feldausch stated that the May 14th agenda title should not state 2013-14 Budget Hearing just Regular Meeting. A motion was made by V. Feldpausch supported by P. Schafer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills: G. Arens stated that he feels the Consumers Energy bill for 257 South Main Street for \$243.00 should be paid out of the Fire Department fund and not the General Fund; the Board concurred. A motion was made by G. Arens, supported by S. Schafer to approve the payment of the following bills as presented. Motion carried.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Expense Description
BS&A Software	450.00	Tax System - annual support 5/1/13 - 5/1/14
Briggs Public Library	2323.00	Annual donation - \$1.00 per capita incl. Village of Fowler (4/1/13-3/31/14)
Clinton County Economics Alliance	1000.00	2013 Contribution
Consumers Energy	119.00	Electric \$44.48 Gas \$82.15 225 South Main Street
Election Inspectors	409.50	May 7, 2013 Fowler & PW School Districts
Election Systems & Software	30.53	AutoMark Break/Fix Coverage 7/1/13 - 6/30/14
Fahey, Schultz, Burzych, Rhodes PLC	1400.00	3/1/13 - 3/27/13 Legal Service for Wind Turbine lawsuit
Fahey, Schultz, Burzych, Rhodes PLC	2546.00	4/1/13 - 4/30/13 Legal Service for Wind Turbine lawsuit
Gannett Michigan Newspapers	53.52	May 7, 2013 Election notice
Gannett Michigan Newspapers	156.93	Amended Ordinance (\$95.79) & Budget Hearing Notices (\$61.14)
Jane VanElls	800.00	2013 Yearly Website Maintenance Fee
John Hancock	45.00	January 1 - March 31, 2013 participant fee
Staples	123.64	Paper cutter, labels, Election & Office Supplies for Twp. hall
Susan Hurren	35.00	Clean Twp. Hall for May 7, 2013 Election
Therese Koenigsknecht	28.10	Coffee, cookies & supplies for CCOA meeting @ Dallas Twp.
Ziemnick Foster Engineering, LLC	<u>520.00</u>	Jan - March 2013 Civil Engineering work
Total of General Fund Bills	\$ 10,040.22	
ComLink	110.58	Internet \$65.55, Telephone \$45.03 4/10/13 Billing Date
ComLink	109.71	Internet \$65.55, Telephone \$44.16 5/10/13 Billing Date
Consumers Energy	243.00	
Schmitz Party Store	102.09	
Schmitz Party Store	77.65	April 2013 Diesel
Total of Fire Fund Bills	\$ 643.03	•

Public Comments:

REPORTS:

<u>Fire Dept:</u> S. Goerge stated Craig Koenigsknecht picked up a compressor from Houghton Lake; it is partially installed but not set up as they are looking at getting rid of the gas motor and replacing it with a 3-phase electric motor. They are also looking at applying for a DNR grant to purchase an off-road vehicle if needed to reach areas that are hard to get to for fire and rescue incidents.

<u>Clerk:</u> T. Koenigsknecht attended The Hundred Club Awards Banquet in recognition of Roy Smith on April 30th; prepared for the May 7th school election (18% turnout, which included Bengal Township voters; 331 ballots were processed with 190 of them being absentee ballots) and busy with a family emergency. T. Koenigsknecht also stated that Westphalia Township has used Patti Schafer from Eagle Township the past year to assist with journal entries. **P. Schafer made a motion to allow Patti Schafer to assist T. Koenigsknecht with journal entries; V. Feldpausch supported the motion. Motion carried.**

<u>Treasurer:</u> G. Arens disbursed a Cash Flow Chart for year that ended March 31, 2013 and also the CD – MBIA Investment Report for 2012-2013. G. Arens presented the following depositories for the 2013-14 fiscal year. They are as follows: First Merit Bank (formerly Citizens Bank); Journey Federal Credit Union (formerly Clinton County Federal Credit Union); Union Bank and Cutwater Asset Management (formerly MBIA) and Union Bank. *A motion was made by S. Schafer supported by P. Schafer to approve the above-noted depositories as presented. Motion carried.* He completed yearend report and will forward to T. Koenigsknecht for completion and will be attending a meeting at the Clinton County Treasurer's office on May 30th. Pat Hafner agreed to come on as Deputy Treasurer as well as Cindy Simon for the township due to business continuity requirement per our auditors' recommendation.

<u>Supervisor:</u> Attended the 100 Club Awards Banquet; V. Feldpausch spoke with the CCRC regarding culvert installation; attended CAA Board meeting and working with Village of Fowler treasurer regarding interpretation of the land contract for the building the township purchased at 257 S. Main Street; and worked on one land division.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. <u>Wind Turbines:</u> V. Feldpausch stated that T. Koenigsknecht and he met with Tom McGraw, Bill Fahey and Chris Patterson regarding the wind turbine lawsuit on April 23rd. Mr. McGraw stated that he will file an Answer to the Complaint through the Clinton County Circuit Court.
- 2. <u>Dallas Township Website:</u> V. Feldpausch stated all of the new information has been emailed to Jane VanElls and there will be a \$200 yearly maintenance fee for her to maintain it.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. <u>Variance Request (ZC-07-13 VR) for Paul Martin:</u> V. Feldpausch stated the Martins want to split out the 2 acres on Parcel A (Exemption #3) and 13.73 acres will be combined with Parcel B and it will remain farmland. *A motion was made by G. Arens, supported by S. Schafer to approve the Variance Request as presented by Paul & Pamela Martin, Case ZC-07-13 VR. Motion carried.* T. Koenigsknecht will contact the County Planning & Zoning Department informing them of Board approval.
- 2. <u>Clinton County Road Commission Contract for Culvert Installation:</u> This culvert is located at Dexter Trail west of Jones Road and a bid of \$8457.80 was received from the CCRC. This expense is eligible for cost share, with our cost being \$4228.90. **A motion was made by T. Koenigsknecht supported by S. Schafer to approve the CCRC Contract for Culvert Installation for \$8457.80. Motion carried.** T. Koenigsknecht will forward contract to CCRC.
- 3. <u>Township Assessor Contract:</u> The only difference in the contract from last year was an increase of \$1.00 per parcel. A motion was made by S. Schafer supported by P. Schafer to approve the Dallas Township Assessor contract as presented. Motion carried.
- 4. Clinton County Economic Alliance: No report.
- 5. <u>County Commissioners Report:</u> Absent.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

There being no further business, a motion was made by P. Schafer, supported by V. Feldpausch to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 4^{th} @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,