

DALLAS TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting
May 13, 2024 @ 2:00 p.m.
Approved June 10, 2024

Members Present: Feldpausch, Vern Schafer, Mindy Feldpausch, Pa
 Douglass, Elizabeth Schafer, Ann

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Feldpausch at 2:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Guests: David Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner

Approval of Agenda ***A motion was made by E. Douglass, supported by A. Schafer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.***

Minutes of Meetings –April 8, 2024 ***A motion was made by P. Feldpausch, supported by A. Schafer to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2024 board meeting. Motion carried.***

Approval of Bills: ***A motion was made by P. Feldpausch, supported by E. Douglass to approve the payment of the monthly bills totaling \$6172.52 in General Fund bill and \$1999.46 in Fire Department and any other regular bills received prior to next meeting. Motion carried.***

Reports

Fire Dept: Chief Feldpausch reported that training for the new AirPaks will take place on May 20. They responded to 20 calls to date.

Clerk: Clerk Schafer reported that three new people have expressed an interest in becoming election inspectors. With three elections this year plus the addition of early voting responsibilities, they will be a welcome addition. Training for all inspectors will take place the week of June 11. She is working on year end tasks and will be meeting with Patty Schafer in June to prepare for the August 2024 audit.

Treasurer: Treasurer Schafer reported that she has worked with Patty Schafer to prepare for the audit. She will be transferring excess funds from checking to MI Class for both the General Fund and Fire Department. Funds will earn a better interest rate in MI Class.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch reported that he has been answering citizen questions regarding wind and solar development in the township. He has worked on a land division and parcel consolidation. He attended the Clinton Area Ambulance meeting last month.

Old Business

Clinton County Wide Broadband–update provided by Commissioner Pohl

Wind Turbines-no report

Fee Study For Ambulance Service-The ballot language was provided to the county and will be included on the August ballot.

New Business

Clinton County Commissioners Report: Commissioner Pohl reported that the county is awaiting the formal announcement of the broadband grant award. Documents are being finalized between the state and Frontier. The Sheriff's department requested to use non-budget sources of income to replace duty firearms that are 15 years old. The commissioners updated the rental agreements for usage of the County Fairgrounds and buildings. Commissioners approved the naming of the new Pratt road county park as "Clinton Trails County Park". The agreement with Clinton Transit for veteran's transportation was renewed for another 5 years. An updated wind ordinance was adopted. Commissioner Pohl announced that will not be seeking reelections and that two individuals have filed to run for the vacancy. The board thanked him for his years of service to the township and county.

Zoning Administrators Report: No report.

Zoning Board of Appeals Vacancy: Supervisor Feldpausch discussed the need to replace two seats on the board. ***A motion was made by P. Feldpausch, supported by E. Douglass to approve the appointment of Vern Feldpausch & Matt Leach to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried.***

Clinton County Special Operations Team Donation: Clerk Schafer presented a letter requesting a donation to the fund. The board discussed the request. ***A motion was made by E. Douglass, supported by V. Feldpausch to table the donation to the 2025-2026 budget year. Motion carried.***

Trash/Salvage Material Complaint: The board discussed the concerns that were forwarded from Zoning Administrator T. Foster. After discussing potential zoning violations and options to address the concern, the board requested Clerk Schafer draft a letter to be sent to the homeowners. Once drafted, Clerk Schafer will forward to T. Foster for input.

2024-2025 Depositories: Treasurer Schafer provided a list of depositories to be approved for the 2024-25 fiscal year. ***A motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by P. Feldpausch to approve the list of 2024-2025 depositories as presented. Motion carried.***

Public Comments **(3 min. limit)**-none

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

There being no further business, a motion was made by V. Feldpausch, supported by P. Feldpausch to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mindy Schafer". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid, with the first and last names being more prominent than the middle name.

Mindy Schafer, Dallas Township Clerk