

**DALLAS TOWNSHIP**  
**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting**  
**September 3, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Members	Arens, Gerry	Koenigsknecht, Therese	Schafer, Stephanie
Present:	Feldpausch, Vern	Schafer, Phil	
Guest:	Farley, Kathy	Farley, Nick	Ferguson, Lynn
	Farley, Ken	Feldpausch, Rhonda	

Call to Order: 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 Meeting – August 6, 2013: The board reviewed the meeting minutes and under the Treasurer report it should state “he has” rather than “have” and the word “be” should be deleted in sentence regarding P. Hafner. **A motion was made by P. Schafer, supported by G. Arens to approve the minutes from the August 6, 2013 monthly board meeting. Motion carried.**

Additions or Correction to Agenda/Approval of Agenda: G. Arens requested to add DWM Request to New Business. **A motion was made by G. Arens supported by S. Schafer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

Approval of Bills: G. Arens added CC Treasurer BOR \$10.62 refund to monthly bills. **A motion was made by G. Arens supported by P. Schafer to approve the payment of the following bills as presented. Motion carried.**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Expense Description</u>
Clinton County Road Commission	927.00	Brush Spray various local roads
Clinton County Treasurer	10.62	July '13 BOR Refund (Pierson-Cole)
Countryside Accounting	262.50	7/21/13 Mtg with Clerk/Treasurer (accrual process) & 7/28/13 Fire/Rescue runs
Fahey, Schultz, Burzych, Rhodes,	4850.00	Review Materials & Attend Twp. Board Mtg 7/8/13 - 7/31/13 (Wind Turbines)
John Hancock Insurance Company	<u>1242.50</u>	Quarterly Contributions July 1st - September 30, 2013
<b>Total of General Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$ 7,292.62</b>	
Comlink	110.27	Internet/Cable Bundle \$65.55; Telephone \$44.72
Consumers Energy	178.00	Electric: \$116.06 Gas: \$11.16
Discount Tire & Battery	362.79	New Tire for Tanker
Emergency Vehicle Services, Inc.	1009.72	Pump Test for #71 \$400.07; Pump Test & repairs for #74 \$609.65
First Due Fire Supply Company	55.49	Sam Brown Shield
Harris Corporation	90.00	Antennas for Hand Held Radios (4)
Lyons Township	<u>450.00</u>	Rescue @ Townsend Road, Pewamo, MI pm 7/28/2013
<b>Total of Fire Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$ 2,256.27</b>	

Public Comments:

No public comment.

**REPORTS:**

Fire Dept: V. Feldpausch stated Fire & Rescue has been extremely busy. During the inspection of the pumps, the galvanized line that goes from the pump to the tank has to be replaced as it can't handle foam.

Clerk: T. Koenigsknecht stated she & Gerry worked with Patty Schafer on accruals; filled out paperwork for Life Support Vehicle insurance; working on F-65 yearly report to State; attended motion on 8-26-13 @ Circuit Court; busy with emails from legal counsel, working with Deputy Clerk & received call regarding rental of township hall.

Treasurer: G. Arens stated that the last date to pay taxes is September 16<sup>th</sup> and the township is at the same pace as last year and Pat Hafner has .Net installed on her computer. He also stated he will modify the monthly report to show outstanding fire and rescue charges that have been billed.

Supervisor: V. Feldpausch worked with Greg A-14 on fire run in Lebanon & billing clerk will re-bill homeowner corrected amount & working with Tonya on billing questions.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Wind Turbines: V. Feldpausch stated this will be discussed under New Business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Township Hall Usage for Village of Fowler: **A motion was made by G. Arens, supported by S. Schafer to allow Dan Arens to use the old township hall to paint the mural for the Village of Fowler.**

2. M.T.A. Legal Defense Resolution: T. Koenigsknecht stated Bill Fahey's office drafted this resolution and basically, if passed, this authorizes the Michigan Township Association Legal Defense team to work with Dallas Township attorneys Bill Fahey and Tom McGraw on the wind turbine lawsuit. **S. Schafer made the motion to approve resolution (2013-#2) allowing the MTA Legal Defense to work with Legal Counsel Bill Fahey and Tom McGraw regarding the Wind Turbine lawsuit; supported by G. Arens. Roll call was taken: P. Schafer - yes, V. Feldpausch - yes; G. Arens - yes; T. Koenigsknecht - yes; Stephanie Schafer - yes.** Resolution passed.

3. Revised Wind Turbine Application License: Due to Judge Tahvonen's Order stating that areas of the original application regarding height, setback, noise and shadow flicker were unconstitutional, Attorney Fahey revised the wind turbine application. The Judge ruled that the township board cannot require any applicant to comply with those sections of the application. He stated that the Police Power Ordinance relates to conduct whereas the zoning is concrete and handled by the County. The Township Board discussed the revised wind turbine application and is concerned that the Township has lost the ability to zone for any potential growth areas. **G. Arens made the motion that we accept the Revised Application for Wind Energy Conversion System, provided an exception if Dallas Township wins at the Court of Appeals level, it reverts back to the original Application License; supported by P. Schafer. Motion carried.** Township Board directed T. Koenigsknecht to check with B. Fahey regarding if the Township wins at the Court of Appeals level, will the application revert back to the original.

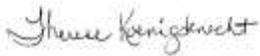
4. County Commissioner Report: Meeting in Lansing involving Rails to Trails, Animal Shelter is progressing well and under budget; last month County Board purchased Motz Park property for \$2 - \$2.2 million dollars; replaced windows in the Jail and looking at purchasing new jail cameras; Eric Mohnke, County Appraiser, passed away last week; and first budget meeting next week with budget hearing to be held the first Tuesday of October.

5. DWM Rural Recycling Fee: G. Arens stated the Department of Waste Management has asked if Dallas Township will support the \$15 fee per household for the 2013-14 year. **V. Feldpausch made a motion to accept the \$15 per household for the 2013-14 year, P. Schafer supported the motion. Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:**

***There being no further business, a motion was made by G. Arens, supported by S. Schafer to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.*** The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 1st @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Therese Koenigsknecht, Twp. Clerk

**Upcoming Events:**

- September 16<sup>th</sup>, Dallas Twp. Planning Commission Meeting 8:00 pm**
- September 18<sup>th</sup>, CCOA Meeting @ Riley Township 7:30 pm**
- October 1<sup>st</sup>, Dallas Township Board Meeting, 7:00 pm**