

Board Meeting
July 11, 2022
Kawkawlin Township Board

Call Meeting to Order—Supervisor called meeting to order, in the Township Hall, at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call of Officers—Present: Davidson, Petrimoulx, Klass, DeShano, Campbell

Minutes of June 13th—Motion by Davidson/Petrimoulx to approve minutes. Yes: Klass, Petrimoulx, Davidson
No: DeShano, Campbell **Passed**

Trustees DeShano and Campbell felt there are inconsistencies in the way the Public Input has been presented in the minutes of the past several months. Further discussion on this matter will be under New Business.

Supervisor Davidson spoke of how he has made the Cemetery top priority. Trustee Campbell is dissatisfied with the lack of communication he has received in correcting the situation with his son's grave. Davidson feels the situation has been taken care of.

Treasurer's Report—Motion by Petrimoulx/Davidson to accept the report. Yes: Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano **Passed**

Fire Department Report—Chief Burke gave his report; roof is on hold until an engineering company can determine what needs to be done with ventilation, new cadet passed test, doing minor repairs to the trucks, ordering some new equipment, Firearms/Social Media Policy has been sent to Township attorney for his review, Fire Ordinance is ready for Board approval, he has applied for DNR grant to be used for gear and equipment if granted, the run activity is now on the Web page, department has received 2000 smoke/CO alarms that can be given out, and promoted Kurt Nitschke to Fire Marshall.

Parks & Recreation Report—None

Hall Report—New custodian has been hired.

Bills for approval—Davidson/Petrimoulx made Motion to accept the Bills Yes: Petrimoulx, Davidson, Klass
No: Campbell, DeShano **Passed**

Trustee Campbell was displeased with how/when bills are ready for approval and as to who can approve bills. More discussion on this matter will be in New Business.

Payroll for Approval—Davidson/Petrimoulx made Motion to approve Payroll, subject to clarification of Carole Cruickshank's (interim custodian) pay with possible correction of her pay. Yes: Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx **Passed**

Communications—Motion made by Davidson/Campbell to file communications. **Passed**

- A. Building Report
- B. Zoning Administrator Report
- C. Kokaly Lawn-Cemetery- received a bid of \$7,000.00 from Kokaly to bring watering system into new section of the cemetery. Waiting for a second company to bid project.
- D. Kawkawlin River Weed Control- Public Hearing is scheduled for July 28, 2022 @ 4:00 between Bangor/Monitor/Kawkawlin weed control project.

- E. Bay County Housing Assistance- there are grants available to help people pay delinquent tax bills, water bills and utility bills, up to \$3000.00.

Public Input on Agenda Only (3 min. limit, not Q & A session)—

1. Jeremy Blohm, 2110 Fraser Rd., spoke on fire dept, it's hiring process, employee with criminal record, and possible embezzlement by one of the current firefighters and change in practices and requirements.
2. Kendall Macconnell, 760 Mackinaw Rd, spoke of the blight (tall grasses and weeds) on M-13 & other areas of township, and what happened to plans for Pickle ball court at the Township park?
3. Michelle Kirchman, 309 S. Linwood Beach Rd, spoke of the disconnect within the Township Board members, need for better Minutes, a more cohesive work process for the better interest for all.

Old Business—None

New Business

- A. Meeting Minutes-After discussion by the members of what needs/doesn't need to be included in the minutes a Motion was made by Davidson/Petrimoulx to require, in Public Input, to include the person's name, address and an objective synopsis of what he/she said. Yes: Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Petrimoulx No: Campbell **Passed**
Also discussed, whether to erase recording of Board Meetings after Minutes have been approved. Motion was made by DeShano/Campbell to archive recordings. Yes: DeShano, Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson **Passed**
- B. Sexton contract-Motion made by Davidson/DeShano to accept Sexton's contract, minus the possible fuel surcharge and does not include Spring and Fall cleanup of leaves. Yes: Klass, Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano Abstain: Campbell **Passed**
- C. Deputy Supervisor duties-Davidson requested permission to have his Deputy, Molly Reinhardt, help with working on cemetery and with election duties, where needed. Trustee Campbell read the duties of Supervisor, which does not include overseeing the cemetery. Motion made by Davidson/Campbell to give authority to the Supervisor to oversee Cemetery, at this time. Yes: Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson, Klass No: DeShano **Passed**
Motion made by Campbell/Davidson for Deputy Supervisor Reinhardt to be paid, retroactively, as Office Help from the day she was sworn in until today, July 11, 2022. Yes: Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Campbell **Passed**
Motion made by Davidson/Campbell that Mrs. Reinhardt to be paid from Deputy Supervisor account for any Supervisor duties, including work on the cemetery, performed from this day forward. Yes: Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx **Passed**
Motion made by Davidson/Campbell that any work that Mrs. Reinhardt will do concerning elections will be paid out of Office Help account. Yes: DeShano, Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson **Passed**
Trustee DeShano questioned why Reinhardt was still paying bills, it was explained that current Deputy Clerk Kruse had to use Reinhardt's log in to run report since Heiden had not set up account with Kruse's name yet.
- D. Budget-Deputy Supervisor-Motion made by Davidson/Petrimoulx to put in \$10,000.00 from surplus to Deputy Supervisor category in the Budget. Yes: Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano. **Passed**

- E. Linwood Civic Improvement- Motion made by Campbell/DeShano to pay \$1,410.00 to Linwood Civic Improvement Club, which is Kawkawlin Township's portion for the 2021 maintenance of the Linwood Scenic Access. Yes: Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano, Klass **Passed**
- F. Drive- Sec F Heavenly Rest Cemetery- Bids for creating new driveway in Section F; removing sand, putting gravel down and black topping were received from Yeager Asphalt (\$25,450.00) and Quality Asphalt (\$29,285.00). Motion was made by Davidson/DeShano to table paving of driveway until water line is installed and hoping for Satkowiak Asphalt to submit a bid for paving. **Passed**
- G. Tree/Stump removal in Sec F at Cemetery- Motion made by Davidson/Petrimoulx to hire G&L Tree Service (\$900.00) to remove and grind up Oak tree that is in middle of proposed roadway in the new Section F. Yes: Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Campbell **Passed**
- H. Zoning Administrator pay- Davidson approached Zoning Administrator Fred Schmidt about becoming a Code Enforcement Officer for Kawkawlin Township. Mr. Schmidt felt it was not something he wanted to take on. Motion made by Campbell/Davidson to pay Zoning Administrator a salary of \$900.00 per month, retroactive from last quarter, April, May & June, going forward. Yes: Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx **Passed**
- I. Twp Web page-Trustee Campbell gave an update on the new Web page. Concerns were brought up about making sure all old information has been retrieved and saved before old Web page is turned off.
- J. Solar Ordinance-Motion made by Davidson/Klass to accept the Solar Ordinance Draft dated 6-15-22. Yes: DeShano, Klass, Petrimoulx, Davidson No: Campbell **Passed**
- K. Planning Commission appt- Mr. Fletcher's term is up and he gave letter to Davidson requesting he'd be appointed for another term. Motion was made by Davidson/Petrimoulx to appoint Ric Fletcher to Planning Commission for another term. Yes: Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano **Passed**
- L. Solar Resolution- Treasurer Klass reminded board that now that Solar Ordinance Draft has been accepted, a Solar Ordinance Resolution needs to be acted upon. Motion made by Davidson/Petrimoulx to accept Solar Ordinance Draft dated 6-15-22 as a Solar Ordinance Resolution. Yes: Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano, Klass No: Campbell **Passed**
- M. Bill paying procedures- Board discussed many different procedures to approve bills. Decision was made to try to synchronize billing due dates after monthly Board meeting date and to keep current bill paying procedure at least for the month of August.
- N. Fire Prevention Ordinance-After discussion, a Motion was made by Davidson/Campbell to accept the Fire Prevention Ordinance recommended by Chief Burke and Fire Marshall Nitschke. Yes: Petrimoulx, Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Campbell **Passed**

FYI:

- A. Sheriff Report- none
- B. ARPA money- did get second half of ARPA money (\$240,000.00). Looking into possibly making some upgrades at the hall.

Public Input (3 min. not Q & A session)-

1. Joe Martuch from Holsinger Manufacturing- gave a hand out to everyone, with his opinion, on the benefits to the Township on allowing Medical and Recreational Marijuana
2. Lisa Eurich, 2890 Two Mile Rd, questioned how/why the current Deputy Clerk and Deputy Supervisor was named, accused Davidson of dishonest actions concerning appointments, looking for transparency and integrity not a Dennis 2.0
3. Susan Cooley, 1408 Huron Rd, suggests Board should be following Robert's Rules of Order, and is shocked by Board and the public's actions
4. Rhonda Denay, 2430 4 Mile Rd, in regards to new Fire Ordinance, wants to know about changes before they happen

5. Dana Endline, 1645 Parish Rd, wants to know what's happening within Township on Elections

Motion made by Davidson/Petrimoulx to go into closed session to discuss Eddy case at 9:36pm. Yes: Davidson, DeShano, Klass, Petrimoulx Absent: Campbell **Passed**

Motion made by DeShano/Campbell to return to original agenda at 10:07pm. Yes: DeShano, Klass, Campbell, Petrimoulx, Davidson, **Passed**

Adjournment—Motion to adjournment was made at 10:09pm by Davidson/DeShano. **Passed**

Next Meeting—August 8, 2022