

Board Meeting  
October 10, 2023  
Kawkawlin Township Board

Board met at 6:00 pm to review bills and payroll.  
Trustee Campbell said a prayer before meeting.

**Call Meeting to Order**—Davidson called meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the flag.

**Roll Call of Officers**—Present:, DeShano, Campbell, Davidson, Klass  
Absent: Kruse, excused

Motion made by DeShano/Campbell to amend agenda Yes: DeShano, Campbell  
No: Davidson, Klass **Did not Pass**

**Minutes of August 14<sup>th</sup>**—Since the minutes from August 14<sup>th</sup> were not on the agenda and because it is over 30 days since the meeting, the minutes are automatically approved.

**Minutes of September 11 & 25<sup>th</sup>**- Motion to approve minutes made by Davidson/Campbell **Passed**

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

**Fire Department Report**—Chief Burke reported; he is not retired yet, department has lost 2 people and gained 3, should have 3 recruits in training, doing truck repairs on 142, anxiously awaiting new truck, received grant from Semi Conductor for training. Kurt Nitschki talked about the various grants they have received and those they are waiting to hear. They traded in the Blazer for a pickup truck, less mileage and better shape, still as a permanent loan. Also, waiting to hear from DNR, to get a permanent loan of a generator for the hall.

**Recreation Report**—Trustee Campbell reported they are still waiting to hear on the Dow grant.

**Hall Report**—None

**Bills and Payroll for approval**—Motion made by DeShano/Davidson to approve payroll. Yes: Klass, Campbell, Davidson, DeShano **Passed**

Motion made by Campbell/Davidson to approve bills minus bill for Air Gas. Yes: Campbell, Davidson, DeShano, Klass **Passed**

**Communications**— A. Building Report-report was given to all members

B. Zoning Administrator Report-report was given to all members

Trustee Campbell questioned why letter from residents on S. Linwood Beach Rd. was not on the agenda under communications, old business or new business as requested by himself and the residents.

Motion made by Davidson/Campbell to approve Communications **Passed**

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

1. Randy Brown-Bad Axe--is currently selling property at 2245 S. Huron Rd. on a Land Contract, is concerned he may get property back because business is not doing well financially, which he feels is because they were falsely promised recreational marihuana would be legal in the Township.

2. Brad Eddy – 1890 Huron Rd. – ~~blames Mr. Brown's problems on past and current Township officials~~ referenced Mr. Brown's problems

#### **Unfinished Business-**

- A. Fire Runs Payments- Chief and the Fire Marshall are working on recovering expenses from Pinconning/Fraser Fire Department.  
Since changing the wording on recovery letters for individuals, not from Kawkawlin Township, and getting more of their insurance information, we have been having a better response in cost recovery.
- B. Parking Ordinance from other Twp's- Trustee Campbell handed out a couple of options, to Board members, of parking ordinances.
- C. Ball Diamond infield Spraying- Trustee DeShano contacted several companies for bids, no one is interested in giving any bids this late in the year. She talked to Mr. Rezler, who suggests, since the weeds are on their way to going to seed, it may be best to wait until Spring to deal with them.
- D. Consumers Energy Transformer- Davidson contacted Consumers and Matt Wieland about the hole next to the transformer on the outside corner of the hall. Consumers will come out and cut the power while Wieland reconnects the tile and fills the hole. Wieland will do this free of charge.
- E. Restoring Soccer frames/new netting- Campbell reports the nets will cost somewhere between \$160.00 and \$200.00. He also suggests the frames be cleaned with a wire brush and then be painted.

#### **New Business-**

- A. REU'S- Motion made by Davidson/Campbell to accept the Bay County Department of Water and Sewer's recommendation for 2024 REU's. Yes: Campbell, Davidson, Klass, DeShano **Passed**
- B. Purchasing Policy- Klass gave Board members a draft of a Purchasing Policy she developed. Motion made by DeShano/Campbell to table Purchasing Policy pending a workshop to discuss policy, to be held at a mutually agreed upon time. Yes: Davidson, Klass, DeShano, Campbell **Passed**
- C. Special Street Lights- Motion made by Campbell/Davidson to put on tax roll. Yes: Klass, DeShano, Campbell, Davidson **Passed**
- D. Garbage assessment- DeShano brought up concern over apartments on Huron Rd. having more trash containers than they are being assessed, Davidson will look into it. Motion made by Davidson/Campbell to approve the suggested trash adjustments Yes: DeShano, Campbell, Davidson, Klass **Passed** Motion made by Davidson/Campbell to keep trash assessment at \$194.00 for 2024. Yes: Campbell, Davidson, Klass, DeShano **Passed**
- E. 2846 E. Kawkawlin River Dr.- Motion made by Campbell/DeShano to authorize DWS to make arrangements with home owner for payment of large water bill of \$1997.00, due to a leak, but not to discount water bill. Yes: Klass, DeShano, Campbell, Davidson **Passed**
- F. Department on Aging- Motion made by Campbell/Davidson to approve contract with Bay County Department on Aging for continued use of Township hall for 2024. Yes: Klass, DeShano, Campbell, Davidson **Passed**

#### **FYI:**

- A. Sheriff Report -August & September reports were given out to Board members and discussed.
- B. Campbell suggests a job description modification is needed. Also, asked if there is a vacancy.
- C. DeShano compliments the audience for staying for entire meeting and feels it is unfortunate there is not a second public input and hopes to change that. And wishes Happy Birthday to Trustee Campbell.

**Adjournment**—Motion to adjournment was made at 8:26pm by Davidson/DeShano. **Passed**

**Next Board Meeting November 13, 2023 7:00 pm**