

Diane Ratkovich
Supervisor
Michelle Stamboulellis
Clerk
Maris Metz
Treasurer
James Drolett,
Karen Nolte,
Laura Sanders,
Karen Sikkenga,
Trustees

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021 7:00 PM

Location: *In accordance with the provision of the amended Open Meetings Act, the meeting was a "virtual" meeting held over Zoom videoconferencing and was properly noticed and open to the public via computer or phone.*

CALL to ORDER: Supervisor Ratkovich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE: Omitted due to teleconferencing.

ROLL CALL: Present – Ratkovich, Stamboulellis, Metz, Sanders, Nolte, Drolett, and Sikkenga. Absent – None.

Also present: David Rohr, Director of Zoning and Planning, and Janis Miller, Recording Secretary.

SUPERVISOR'S REMARK/CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Supervisor's remarks: Apologized for the board packets not being on the website in a timely manner. Publicly thanked the Board and office staff for assistance with the learning curve everyone is experiencing. Thanked DPZ Rohr for being part of the meetings and the zoom host. Thanked the Recording Secretary for taking the minutes. Thanked Fire Chief Smith for attending the meeting and asked him to do an introduction next month.

No conflicts of interest from the Board.

1st CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Marvin Butka, 5333 McGuinness Rd., Dexter MI

Inquired about future plans for the property the township purchased in July 2019, which is adjacent to his property.

Trustee Drolett responded that the land was purchased to preserve open space by the township and he believes there is a deed restriction on it.

APPROVAL of the AGENDA:

Motion by Sanders to approve the amended agenda after moving Consent Agenda items A. to a February Special Meeting and moving items B. and C. to New Business. Motion second by Metz. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL of the MINUTES:

Motion by Drolett to approve the minutes of December 15, 2020 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion second by Stamboulellis. Motion carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: No items on the consent agenda.

REPORTS (oral presentations): None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Appointments

i. Planning Commission (2 appointments)

Drolett noted that the Supervisor appoints the Planning Commission members with the Township Board approval.

Motion by Sikkenga to approve Supervisor Ratkovich's appointment of Kimberly Marinelli to the Planning Commission. Motion second by Metz.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sikkenga, Nolte, Stamboulellis, Metz, Drolett, Sanders, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Sanders to approve Supervisor Ratkovich's appointment of Christina Maier to the Planning Commission. Motion second by Nolte.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sanders, Metz, Stamboulellis, Nolte, Sikkenga, Ratkovich; Nays-Drolett; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 6-1.

Trustee Sikkenga thanked both Steve Burch and Andy Reiser for their excellent service to the township over the years, and for serving on the Planning Commission.

ii. Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) (2 appointments)

Motion by Drolett to nominate Brook Smith to the ZBA with a term ending on December 31, 2024. Motion second by Sikkenga.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Drolett, Ratkovich, Sikkenga, Nolte, Stamboulellis, Metz, Sanders; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Nolte to nominate Peter Maier to the ZBA with a term ending on December 31, 2024. Motion second by Sanders.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sanders, Metz, Stamboulellis, Nolte, Sikkenga, Ratkovich; Nays-Drolett; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 6-1.

Trustee Sikkenga acknowledged the service of Jim Drolett on the ZBA.

iii. Dexter Area Fire Department Administrative Board (DAFD) (1 appointment)

Motion by Nolte to appoint Mark Ford to the DAFD Board with a term expiring December 31, 2026. Motion second by Sanders.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sanders, Metz, Stamboulellis, Nolte, Drolett, Sikkenga, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

iv. Huron River Watershed Council (2 appointments)

Motion by Drolett to reappoint Suzanne Bade to the Huron River Watershed Council for a term ending on December 31, 2023. Motion second by Metz.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sikkenga, Drolett, Nolte, Stamboulellis, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Drolett to appoint Mark Teicher as the alternate to the Huron River watershed council for a term ending on December 31, 2023. Motion second by Sanders.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sanders, Metz, Stamboulellis, Nolte, Drolett, Sikkenga, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

v. Broadband Research Committee (2 appointments)

Motion by Sikkenga to nominate Justin Heinz, Jim Michaud, Tracey Zaleski to open ended terms on the Broadband Research Committee. Motion second by Metz.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sikkenga, Drolett, Nolte, Stamboulellis, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

vi. Board of Review (BOR) (3 appointments)

Motion by Drolett to nominate Dave Diesing, Ryan Doletzky, Paul LaRoe to the Dexter Township Board of Review with terms ending December 31, 2022. Motion second by Stamboulellis.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sanders, Metz, Stamboulellis, Nolte, Drolett, Sikkenga, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion: Need an alternate for the BOR. Supervisor Ratkovich said they were still looking to fill that position.

B. 2021 Holiday Schedule

Motion by Nolte to approve the 2021 Holiday as presented, including the two additional days to the previously approved Holiday Schedule. Motion second by Sanders.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sikkenga, Drolett, Nolte, Stamboulellis, Metz, Sanders, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion: When a roll call vote is needed.

C. Request for Inclusion in Multi-Lakes Sewer District – LaFontaine

Discussion: Capacity of Multi-Lakes Sewer & Water. Environmental impact of on-site septic. Previous owners had three water meters in the building. Planning Commission requested more screening on N. Territorial which would mean eliminating septic system.

Moved by Nolte to approve the sewer connection into the MLSW for the LaFontaine Commercial Property located at 11485 N. Territorial, Dexter, Michigan. Motion second by Sikkenga.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Metz, Sanders, Stamboulellis, Nolte, Sikkenga, Ratkovich; Nays-Drolett; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 6-1.

D. Request for Inclusion in Multi-Lakes Sewer District – Charles Piatt

Discussion: Second tier off lake. Multi-Lakes Sewer needs more “bugs” therefore more taps. Environmental concerns. Water softener discharge into dry well.

Moved by Nolte to approve the sewer connection to MSLW for the single residence at 8787 Glenwood Drive, Pinckney, Michigan. Motion second by Metz.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Sikkenga, Nolte, Stamboulellis, Sanders, Metz, Drolett, Ratkovich; Nays-; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

E. Request for Inclusion in Multi-Lakes Sewer District – Guenther Building/Doletzky Property

Discussion: MLSW can handle the additional 53 taps. Some would like to see more information on septic systems versus sewer link. Setback with site plan approval from the Planning Commission, tentatively February 23rd. Need for an expert's report. Health Department recommends the sewer links.

Motion by Nolte to approve the Doletzky property Open Space Community, at 11677 N. Territorial, to be able to tap into the Multi-Lakes Sewer & Water Authority, for new sewer service. Motion second by Sikkenga.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Metz, Sanders, Stamboulellis, Sikkenga, Ratkovich, Nolte; Nays-Drolett; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 6-0.

F. 2021 Township Fee Schedule

Discussion: Analysis of how fees are determined.

Motion by Drolett to approve the amended township fee schedule for 2021 and the WWRA Debt Fee for New Residential Construction as presented. Motion second by Stamboulellis. **Motion carried 7-0.**

G. Western Washtenaw Recycle Debt Fees for New Residential Construction

Discussion: These are done by Special Assessments through Washtenaw County Department of Public Works. The Authority sets the Special Assessment every five (5) years. Fees are based on cost of operation and expected revenue.

Motion by Drolett to adopt Resolution 20-588, the Western Washtenaw Recycle Authority Debt Fees for New Dwelling Units, for the year 2021. Motion second by Sikkenga.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Nolte, Stamboulellis, Sanders, Metz, Drolett, Sikkenga, Ratkovich; Nays-Drolett; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

AUTHORIZATION of PAYMENTS/TRANSFER of FUNDS – Clerk Stamboulellis Motion by Metz to authorize January payments of \$187,424.32 General Fund, \$74,022.43 Fire, \$40,764.99 Police, and \$33,386.50 Gross Payroll. Motion second by Nolte.

Discussion: Need more understanding of financial expenses and how budget varies. Need a report, to the Board, that relates budget to expenditures.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas-Nolte, Sikkenga, Drolett, Metz, Sanders, Stamboulellis, Ratkovich, Nolte; Nays-None; Abstain-none; Absent-none. Motion carried 7-0.

2nd CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Open at 9:12. No Comments.

OTHER ISSUES, COMMENTS and CONCERNS of BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF:

Sanders: There is a need to continue Strategic Planning and set the next meeting date.

Discussion: There needs to be a list of what the Board wants to accomplish before seeking a consultant help or setting a future meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Poverty Exemption and Asset Testing Resolution

Note: This needs to be discussed (in a Special Meeting?) before the February 16th Board meeting. Tentative date Tuesday, February 2nd, 6:00 pm, Special Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Drolett to adjourn. Motion second by Nolte.
The meeting was **adjourned** at 9:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michelle Stamboulellis, Clerk
Dexter Township

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, MICHELLE STAMBOULELLIS, THE DULY QUALIFIED CLERK FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF DEXTER, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FORGOING IS A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS TAKEN BY THE DEXTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT A REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER 19, 2021 AND THAT THE FORGOING MINUTES ARE THE APPROVED MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON THE 15TH DAY OF JANUARY 19, 2021.

MICHELLE STAMBOULELLIS, CLERK, DEXTER TOWNSHIP