

Douglass Township Board Meeting
3521 McBride Rd.
Stanton, MI 48888
Date September 6, 2023 7:00pm
Minutes

Call to order: 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: All present- Bunting, Huff, Laper, Shick, Tester

Approval of minute's date August 2, 2023 Motion Bunting, 2nd Tester. Approved 5-0

Approval of agenda Motion Tester, 2nd Huff. Approved 5-0

Public comments on agenda items No comments from public on Agenda Items.

Reports Treasure-Laper: Income- \$ 3041.94 Expenses- \$ 29722.43
Motion Bunting ,2nd Tester. Approved 5-0

Clerk- Huff: Bills to pay for August- \$23,648.24
Motion Tester, 2nd Laper. Approved 5-0

Tester – Planning Comm. Request for 2 additional meeting for this year September and November to look at zoning ordinances.

Bunting-Fire Departments- no new report.

Kelsey- Zoning dept. 2 permits issues. Zoning regarding age limits on mobile homes moving in to township needs to be changed.

Supervisor-Shick- House land issue being investigated. Tiny house, siding, short term rental, longer term rental, barndominium, age of mobile homes, are issues residents have been asking for changes in zoning.

Old business ARPA- purchases- Shredder purchased. Refrigerator purchased. Coded lock on Supervisors office done. Secure and locked mail box is purchased but not yet installed. Computers price went up to \$3900. Need to increase cost of computer to \$3900 +-10%. Motion Shick, 2nd Bunting. Roll call – Bunting, Laper, Huff, Shick Tester, approved 5-0. Printer price increase, Contract with MOS for printer- \$1493.00 + \$20 per month for service. Motion Shick, 2nd Tester. Roll call- Bunting, Laper, Huff, Shick, Tester. Approved 5-0. Cleaning service, possible to hire local person to hire to clean office once a month. Check with insurance that they would be cover as employee.

Solar ordinance-completed. Last month Treasure Clerk report numbers were corrected.

New business: Township powers and duties-State looking into taking over zoning on gravel pits and Solar. Possible to put information of Township/State matters on Website . Will table to later discussion. Motion Shick, 2nd Huff. Roll call- Bunting, Laper, Huff, Shick, Tester. Approved 5-0.

Updated ARPA list. Treasure- Laper BSA software needs updated. Cost would be around \$9500. ARPA project list- Parking lot, Generator, Furnace and Tables next to be addressed.

ZBA informational meeting. AED for hall. Grants available for parks and recreation in March and April. Table ARPA discussion to next month. Motion Shick, 2nd Ken. Approved 5-0

Announcements : Next meeting October 4th, 2023 7pm. Meeting retreats coming up, check the costs.

Day Township Fire contract coming due. Will have info by end of month and payment will be due. Ballot drop box delivered. Don Larson will install.

Public comments: AED good idea, County will handle early election, is there more ARPA money coming, if you are purchasing property, make sure you have it surveyed, website in next newsletter, state government taking over township choices.

Support of training retreats, State government over Townships.

Hiring our own cleaner, supple cleaning items, MI food concerns, furnace repair co.

Wind and Solar State control by state.

Adjournment: Motion Bunting, 2nd Tester. Approved 5-0 8:31 PM