Approved
Concord Township Board Meeting
Minutes
November 11, 2024

The Concord Township Board held a regular meeting at the Township Office at 121 Grove Street, Concord, Michigan, 49237.

Board members present:
Treasurer Judy Clark, Supervisor David Saenz, Clerk Terri Butts, Trustee Guthrie Colburn and Trustee Stephanie Finegan.

Board members absent: None

Public Attendance:
Earl Poleski, Richard Kline, Russ Carson, Ken Wyatt, Chris Camburn and Deputy Jacobson.

Supervisor David Saenz called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda:
Meeting Agenda for this meeting was approved with adding a moment of silent for Veteran's Day. Colburn made a motion to accept and Finegan seconded. Voice vote, All in Favor Aye, 5 Ayes, 0 No, 0 Absent. ***Motion carried.***

Moment of Silent

Public Comments:
Commissioner Poleski gave updates on the County and you can visit the County website at https://www.mijackson.org/365/Jackson-County-Commissioners for additional information. Commissioner Poleski said we had 3 chances to get the jail approved and the Nov 5 election failed by 1000 votes again. Richard Kline said he heard the Albion bridge was going to cost $4.5 million. Commissioner Poleski will provide us with updates for the Albion bridge cost. Russ Carson said the Fire Department was going to burn a house down for training on Hutchisson a week ago Sunday. They received a call and had to leave the site. Two Fireboard members were unaware and would find out next Wednesday. Ken Wyatt asked about the $1.5 million hole in the budget since the jail votes failed. Supervisor Saenz said Ken's comment was not going to be part of public comments or for questions. Chris Camburn was representing Lilly Banks and was wondering when the paperwork was going to be approved so he can send to the State.

Minutes:
Motion was made by Clark seconded by Colburn to accept the minutes from October 2024. Voice vote, All in Favor Aye, 5 Ayes, 0 No, 0 Absent. ***Motion carried.***

Approval Agenda - General Fund Bills:
The General Fund bills were presented by Clerk Terri Butts in the amount of $41,421.03. Motion was made by Colburn and seconded by Finegan to approve the disbursements. Voice vote, All in Favor Aye, 5 Ayes, 0 No, 0 Absent. ***Motion carried.***

Consent Agenda:
Reports accepted by the Consent Agenda;

- Revenue and Expenditure Report and Financials Report - Treasurer Judy Clark.
- Fire Reports - Trustee Colburn
- Police Blotter Report - Deputy Jacobson
- Planning Commission - Trustee Finegan
- Assessing Report – None

- During reporting of the Planning Commission report from above, the following motion was made by Finegan and seconded by Colburn to approve the rezoning for Jason and Heidi Blossom for address 14294 Densmore Road from residential to agriculture.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes: Clark, Colburn, Saenz, Butts, Finegan
0 Nays
0 Absent

Motion carried

Old Business/Unfinished Business:

a. ARPA Inputs - Discussion of what is allowed including paying for past invoices. Motion was made by Colburn to reimburse/apply remaining ARPA funds to the 2024 budget to Police, first, and then remaining dollars to Fire department. Finegan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes: Butts, Finegan, Clark, Colburn, Saenz
0 Nays
0 Absent

Motion carried

b. Lilly Banks Lane Water Resolution. During August 2024 board meeting this was tabled until Legal Counsel/attorney could review and draw up a resolution. Supervisor Saenz stated he was in talks with our Legal Counsel/Attorney Fahey and Saenz said our attorney recommended that we sign the resolution. Saenz made a motion to adding to the resolution "Concord Township would not be taking over the water system at Lilly Banks if they Lilly Banks would become insolvent". Clark seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes: Saenz, Clark, Colburn, Finegan, Butts
0 Nays
0 Absent

Motion carried

New Business:

a. Maple Grove Cemetery – tabled until other Townships/cemeteries in the area are called and asked how they are handling Cremation benches and what are they charging and any fees.

b. Public Official Bond Renewal - informational only showing Bond amount per position held at the Township.

Board Comments:
Butts - What a busy election – 965 voted in person, 544 return AV ballots, EV 181 per Treasurer Clark.
Clark – Election went well
Colburn - none

Finegan - none
Saenz – Going to put “ordinances to be reviewed” on this year’s remaining agendas. Interviewing for Planning Commission. Would like to form a Police committee to talk about the renewal contact for Larry which expires June 30, 2025.

Adjournment:
A motioned by Butts, seconded by Colburn to adjourn at 6:20pm.
Voice vote, All in Favor Aye, 5 Ayes, 0 No, 0 Absent. ***Motion carried***

Terri Butts, Concord Township Clerk 11/13/2024.
Minutes approved at the December 2024 Regular Board Meeting.