HANOVER TOWNSHIP

BOARD MEETING

December 8, 2021

Held at Hanover Township Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor, Jeffery Heath

Board members present: Jeffery Heath, Rachel Heath, Jason Dorian, Tim Evans, Steve Keller

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Supervisor Heath

Public Comment: Commissioner Poleski gave updates on the park donation, jail phone system, and fair attendance.

A Weeks Road resident expressed his concern with the hill.

Announcements: None.

Motion by Dorian, support by Keller, to forgo the reading of the minutes for the November 10, 2021 Board Meeting. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorian, support by Keller to accept the reading of the minutes for the December 7, 2021 Fire Board Meeting as read by Supervisor Heath. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Chief Johnston gave updates on the Fire Department.

Motion by Dorian, support by Keller, to accept the Treasurer’s report. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion by J. Heath, support by Dorian to amend the budget as follows:

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| **BUDGET ACCOUNT** | **PREVIOUS BUDGET AMOUNT** | **CHANGE AMOUNT** | **AMENDED BUDGET AMOUNT** |
| Insurance | $ 15,000.00 | - $2,000.00 | $ 13,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous | $ 4,000.00 | + $2,000.00 | $ 6,000.00 |

Roll Call: Keller, yes; Dorian, yes; Evans, yes; J. Heath, yes; R. Heath, yes. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion by Evans, support by Dorian, to approve the General Fund, Post-Audit, Round/Farwell, and Fire Department bills as presented for payment, with the addition of the invoice from Region 2 Planning Commission in the amount of $1,210.91 for Master Plan Services.

Roll Call: Dorian, yes; Evans, yes; J. Heath, yes; R. Heath, yes; Keller, yes. Ayes all. Motion passed.

New Business:

The Board discussed 2022 Trash Days. The 2022 Trash Days are as follows:

April 9

May 14

September 10

October 8

The Board scheduled 2022-2023 budget meetings as follows:

February 9, 2022 at 6:30pm

March 9, 2022 at 6:30pm

Motion by Evans, support by Dorian to continue to follow the Federal, State, and County Holidays for 2021. \*The full list of closing dates for 2022 is available at the Township Office and on the Website.

Roll Call: Keller, yes; Dorian, yes; Evans, yes; J. Heath, yes; R. Heath, yes. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion by Keller, support by Evans to continue with the $100 annual meeting bonus paid to Firemen who attended 17 or more meetings in the calendar year.

Roll Call: J. Heath, abstain; Keller, yes; R. Heath, yes; Dorian, yes; Evans, yes. Motion passed 4-0, with 1 abstaining.

Motion by Evans, support by Dorian to approve a $500 bonus to mid-level supervisors with a call response rate of 25% or above for the calendar year.

Roll Call: R. Heath, yes; Evans, yes; Dorian, yes; Keller, yes; J. Heath, yes. Ayes all. Motion passed.

The Township will be reapplying for the Fire Department Equipment grant now that all paperwork from past years is in compliance. There will be another fee for the grant writing.

Motion by Dorian, support by Keller to collect summer 2022 taxes on behalf of Hanover-Horton School District for $1.46 per parcel.

Roll Call: Evans, abstain; R. Heath, yes; J. Heath, yes; Dorian, yes; Keller, yes. Motion passed 4-0, with 1 abstaining.

Supervisor Heath gave updates on the sewer, and it was also mentioned that Clerk Heath is up to date on the required state election training.

Motion by R. Heath, supported by Evans, to move into a closed session at 9:00pm pursuant to MCL 15.268(h) to discuss a confidential written legal opinion regarding the lawsuit initiated against the Township and Jeff Heath by Levy Machining, LLC, Ryan Levy, Robert Levy, and Sherilene Levy and to discuss a confidential written legal opinion regarding Wild World Adventures and Pony Rides.

Roll Call: Keller, yes; Dorian, yes; Evans, yes; J. Heath, yes; R. Heath, yes. Ayes all. Motion passed.

The Board came out of closed session at 9:25pm.

Motion by J. Heath, support by Evans to pursue court action against Wild World Adventures and Pony Rides for zoning violations.

Roll Call: Keller, yes; Dorian, yes; Evans, yes; J. Heath, yes; R. Heath, yes. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion by Evans, support by Keller to request Chris Patterson work with Foster Swift in regards to Levy Machining v. Hanover Township.

Roll Call: R. Heath, yes; J. Heath, yes; Evans, yes; Dorian, yes; Keller, yes. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion by Evans, support by Keller for Chris and Foster Swift to represent and cover the incurred expenses of the Township and the Township Supervisor, Jeff Heath in Levy Machining v. Hanover Township.

Roll Call: Keller, yes; Dorian, yes; Evans, yes; J. Heath, abstain; R. Heath, abstain. Motion passed 3-0, with 2 abstaining.

Old Business: None.

Public Comment: None.

Dorian moved the meeting to be adjourned at 9:42 PM.

Submitted by:

Rachel L. Heath, Clerk