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Calvin Township Regular Board meeting

WM. J. Robinson Community Center

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Cassopolis, MI 4 031

February 14, 2023

Minutes of January 10, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Clerk Michelle Anderson gave the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee and Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd Trustee Rebecca Mitchell. Motion carried.

Visitors: Two visitors were present.

Public comments: No public comments

Minutes: Approval of December minutes, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to approve the Treasurer report for general fund checks 9972-10000 and receipts 245230 - 245238. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance- Next meeting in March

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: No report

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - Rebecca Mitchell - will report, no information available

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report -report available upon request.
Meeting tomorrow

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported if there are potholes report to road commission. .

Other reports: None

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Business:

McKinna's contract for master agreement was approved and public meetings will be held.

New Business:

None

Received Checks from:

Bills/Obligations:

Attorney

MEC wifi & phone

MEC electric \$402.30cc

HAAS Alarm \$198.00

Republic Trash

Electric Source \$615.60

Rose Pest Control \$

Advertising

Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Treasurer, Rosemary Gillam to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: None

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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March 14, 2023

Minutes of February 14, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Rebecca Mitchell gave the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee and Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd Trustee Rebecca Mitchell. Motion carried.

Visitors: Five visitors were present. Commissioner RJ Lee introduced himself and was glad to be at the meeting and planned on being present.

Public comments: Ann Matthews questioned if anything can be done with trees that were left over and some on her property after a neighbor sold trees. She was advised to contact the land owners, this is a civil situation and out of the townships hands.

Minutes: Approval of December minutes, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchel. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to approve the Treasurer report for general fund checks 10001-10026 and receipts 245239 - 245248. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance- Next meeting March 2nd. Chief Operator and Finance manager stepped down. Now down 6 paramedics and 6 EMT's. If you know of anyone interested, encourage them to enroll in the program.

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported dog rabies and vaccinations available next week, the Barron Lake project passed and waiting on the Courthouse.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - Rebecca Mitchell reported the next meeting will be held March 2nd and will discuss crematorium.

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report -report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported, and board approved 023 cost of dust control Calvin Township will pay ½.

Other reports: None

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

New roof & gutters - new invoice received showing the final cost after adding 8 OSB sheets, total \$17,360 half from original was paid, we owe \$9,060.00

New Business:

Road signs (5) - Diamond Lake would like to put in five 30MPH speed limit signs. Each costing \$275.00 each. This was tabled to see if the Diamond Lake club would pay for half the cost.

*Treasurer Rosemary Gillam left the meeting

Give back property - 100x200 piece of land by Paradise Lk & Lincoln Ave it is land locked and no lake access. Unable to do anything with it and it's costing sewer assessment. Approval to give back the property motion by: Trustee, Keith Carter, 2nd by Trustee, Rebecca Mitchell. Motion Carried.

Burnt out resident/home - A family in our township lost their home. Services were offered at time of fire and denied by family. The Red Cross has stepped in to help, the township is unable to help individual families.

Appoint Mr. George King as an alternate to the Board of Review. Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, to appoint Mr. King. Motion Carried.

Board of Review Organization meeting, Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 4:15pm.

- Resolution to Set an Alternate Date for the Board of Review 2023. - Motion by Trustee, Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to approve an Alternate Date for the BOR. Rebecca Mitchell, yes - Michelle Anderson, yes - Adrienne Glover, yes - Rosemary Gillam, absent - Keith Carter, yes Motion carried.

New Resolution number will be: Resolution #02-23A

Board of Review - Poverty Exemptions -

- Resolution for Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Level Test - Motion by Trustee, Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to approve the resolution for Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Level Test. Rebecca Mitchell, yes - Michelle Anderson, yes - Adrienne Glover, yes - Rosemary Gillam, absent - Keith Carter, yes Motion carried.

New Resolution number will be: Resolution #02-23B

Dust Control Agreement 50% 15,534.40 covering 20.44 miles

Township Annual Clean Up Days - May 15th -19th & August 14th - 18th, 2023

Special Election on May 2nd Cassopolis Public Schools Millage Renewal.

Bills/Obligations:

Attorney \$1,652.50

I & M Electric \$4.34

Zoning Solutions \$634.38

Road Commission \$300.00

HAAS Alarm \$495.00 (Oct.-Feb)

Advantage Roofing \$9,060

Rose Pest Control \$99.00

Advertising

Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Comments regarding property on Day Lake & Jeffries St. maybe put a park on the corner.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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April 11, 2023

Minutes of March 14, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Clerk Michelle Anderson gave the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee. Absent Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd Trustee Keith Carter. Motion carried.

Visitors: Five visitors were present.

Public comments: None

Minutes: Approval of February minutes, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson to approve the Treasurer report for general fund checks 10027-10043 and receipts 245249 - 245257. Motion Carried. Taxes are finished and only 2 credit card users. Will look into Circle Credit Union regarding high yield accounts.

Reports:

Ambulance- Two more people from the department left. Pride Care is not going out of business.

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: Committee meetings will be held each month, passed gun resolution to pass, 2 new sheriffs, MEC Robins grant.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - No report

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report -report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported

Other reports: None

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Annual clean-up days - flyers are ready. Township Annual Clean Up Days - May 15th -19th & August 14th - 18th, 2023

New Business:

Planning Commission Appeal - Dough Kuhlman - Rezoning request of spot zoning. Split 1 acres Cass County did not approve, request to deny. Request to not approve rezoning request of spot zoning, per counsel of zoning administration and our lawyer motioned by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Kieth Carter. Motion Carried

Road sign (1) - Only 1 30MPH speed limit sign is needed for Diamond Lake in Calvin Township. Costing \$275.00 each. Approval to pay for 1 sign at \$275.00 motion made by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson. One opposed Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion Carried

Fiscal Year 2023 Budget \$487,600.00

Annual Township Meeting April 11, 2023 at 5:30

Bills/Obligations:

Attorney \$	Zoning Solutions \$
MEC WIFI - Office 120.33	Road Commission \$
MEC WIFI - Com Ctr \$109.33	HAAS Alarm \$99
MEC Electric - office \$108.92	Real Pro Solution \$4,000
MEC Electric Com Ctr \$321.39	Franger Gas \$1,500
I & M Electric \$	Rose Pest Control
Electrical \$708.30	Election Source 289.00
Leader Publication \$227.66	

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Comments regarding squatters and other people living in campers. You can only live in a camper for 2 weeks.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

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May 9, 2023

Minutes of April 11, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Rebecca Mitchell the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee and Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion carried.

Visitors: Five visitors were present.

Public comments: Superintendent John Ritzler, spoke on behalf of the proposal on May 2nd. John McCarver owns property on the corner of Calvin Cnt and Chain Lk and wanted to know how to go about having a public shooting complex.

Minutes: Approval of March minutes, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to approve the Treasurer report for general fund checks 10045-10067 and receipts 245258 - 245271. Motion Carried. Taxes were settled with the county.

Reports:

Ambulance- Next meeting is in June

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: Whole committee meetings will be held on the 3rd of Thursday and business meetings on the 1st Thursday of each month. Mention a resolution to protect kids from porn.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request. Dave Bratton has resigned from the board.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - Meeting on the 27th regarding solar farm management.

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report -report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported - culver on Crooked Creek road has failed.

Other reports: None

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Annual clean-up days - flyers are ready. Township Annual Clean Up Days - May 15th -19th & August 14th - 18th, 2023

New Business:

Fiscal Year 2023 Budget \$442,797.00

Approval of text amendment for Universal Casket Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion carried.

Zoning Board of Appeals classes at \$75 each, township would cover the cost.

Approval of Election Inspectors for May 2nd special election as follows: Janice Cloud, Elsie Randles, Sharon Haithcox, substitutes: Michael Anderson, Brandon Anderson

A1 Concrete to level concrete under the steps of the office building contract at \$791.00. Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion Carried.

Bills/Obligations:

Attorney \$	Adam Dahlgren \$1,710
MEC WIFI - Office	Leader Publication \$
MEC WIFI - Com Ctr	Zoning Solutions \$
MEC Electric - office	Road Commission \$
MEC Electric Com Ctr	HAAS Alarm \$99
I & M Electric \$	A1 Concrete
Electrical	Rose Pest Control
Dobberteen Inspections \$1,136	Election Source

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Grants through the county for lights, gas and home repairs.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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June 13, 2023

Minutes of May 9, 2023

Supervisor Glover called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm. Trustee Rebecca Mitchell gave the prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Supervisor Adrienne Glover, Trustees Keith Carter and Rebecca Mitchell.

Absent, Clerk Michelle Anderson and Treasurer Rosemary Gillam.

Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Trustee Carter, 2nd by Trustee Mitchell, motion carried.

10 visitors were present.

No public comments.

Trustee Carter motion to approve the May minutes as sent, 2nd by Trustee Mitchell. Motion Carried.

No Treasurer reports.

Reports:

Fire: Trustee Carter gave the fire department report with an open invitation inviting all to an open house on June 3rd from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. to see the new equipment. Refreshments available and donations appreciated.

Ambulance, Inspectors, Blight, Zoning: Trustee Carter gave Ambulance, Inspector, Zoning, and Blight reports, all reports available upon request.

Road: Trustee Carter reported that the culvert on Crooked Creek & Northrop will need to be replaced costing the township \$45,000.00

Commissioner: Commissioner RJ Lee gave a report on two new programs from the county on Emergency Home Repairs and Energy Efficiency Home Improvement programs.

Planning Commission: Trustee Mitchell reported that the Planning Commission should be meeting Thursday, May 11th at 5:30.

No Assessor or CAUA report.

Trustee Mitchell motion to approve all reports as given, 2nd by Trustee Carter. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

The sidewalk going into the township office has been repaired.

Out of 1600 registered township voters only 138 voted during the school election.

New Business: None

Bills/Obligations

Electrical Inspector \$732.60

Zoning Solutions \$492.50

HAAS Alarm \$99.99

Republic Trash \$285.00

Kerry Collins IT \$100.00

P. O. Box 305 \$68.99

Motion by Trustee Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Carter to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

There being no other business to come before the board, this meeting stands adjourn.

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July 11, 2023

Minutes of June 13, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Clerk Michelle Anderson the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee. Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee, absent.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter . Motion carried.

Visitors: Eight visitors were present.

Public comments: Ed Ramsee, President of Paradise Lake Association had a question regarding any inquireings in concerns of property value of Donnell Lake residents because of the maraijana field. Maraijana is not covered under the farm act and present were Paradise Lake owners that were concerned in their property declining because of the maraijana field. Concern regarding property on Diamond View Dr. wanted to know if it was on the blight elimination list - no it is not.

Also concerns regarding pothole repairs, this is a county service and they should be out within a week or two.

Questions or concerns regarding property value contact Shalice Northrup.

Minutes: Approval of May minutes, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Clerk Michele Anderson, to approve the Treasurer report for April and May general fund checks 10068- 10099 and 10100-10136 and April and May receipts 245272-245278 and 245279-245287. Motion Carried.

The Auditor was out last week. Summer taxes will be mailed July 1st along with the Mckenna Survey.

Reports:

Ambulance- Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: An employee retired, County will not replace the position, July 12th/13th work will restart on the courthouse and there are plans to bring the policy committee as one with the sheriff department and county. The new County directories are available

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - No report

Enforcement/Blight – No report, applied for blight elimination grant.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported - Chain Lk will be tarred at the end of August. Dust control will be done within the week

Other reports: None

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Township residents will receive the surveys for the master plans from Mckenna (they will be sent with the taxes and also on our website with QR code)

New Business:

Looking into getting a new ballot box (paid for by the state)

Bills/Obligations:

Electrical Inspector \$370.80

Dobberteen Inspections \$1,214.00

MTA Dues \$2045.09

Leader Publication \$ 205.90

Road Commission \$72,339.41

HAAS Alarm \$99

Rose Pest Control \$67

Republic Trash \$ 225.00

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Grants through the county for lights, gas and home repairs.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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August 8, 2023

Minutes of July 11, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Treasurer Rosemary Gillam the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Keith Carter- Trustee, Michelle Anderson- Clerk. Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee, absent.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Trustee Keith Carter , 2nd byTreasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion carried.

Visitors: Nine visitors were present.

Public comments: Discussion on Penn Township marijanna farm Kim Jay had a question regarding vending on the lake if a permit is required? Should check with the health department and possibly with the DNR.
Discussion on why a person can't sell 2 acres of land. Questions or concerns regarding property value contact Shalice Northrup.
Question if Calvin Township is an anti keyholing or funneling township.

Minutes: Approval of July minutes, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Clerk Michele Anderson, to approve the Treasurer report for June general fund checks 10137-10161 and June receipts 245288-245291. Taxes were mailed and people are already paying their taxes. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance- Next meeting end of July

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: Applied a grant to have an observatory at Dr. Lawless Park. Working on a budget as the upcoming elections will add a 5% increase.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - Doug Kuhlman has 2 ordinances. One regarding solar energy a section of Calvin is designated. In 2040 solar energy will increase by 60%.

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported -Dust control was applied about 2 weeks ago. Chip and seal will be completed by the end of August.

Other reports: None

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Township residents received the surveys for the master plans from Mckenna (they were sent with the taxes and also on our website with QR code) This is a 5 year plan go online or mail in.

New Business:

Revise Hall Agreement - Update and be very specific regarding the clean up and use of the hall. Require a \$100 deposit for all building uses. Those living within the township pay \$100 and outside the township pay \$200. Motion Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson, to approve new cost and deposit. Opposed Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion Carried

Assessor's Office Accessibility Policy - submitted by Shalice Northrop. Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson

New tables for the hall - 4 new tables are needed. Agreed on 2 8' tables and 2 4' tables

Solar Energy ordinance -Resolution #07-23A. Motion by Trustee Keith Carter , 2nd byTreasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion carried.

The Keeping of animals ordinance - Resolution #02-23B. Motion by Trustee Keith Carter , 2nd byTreasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion carried.

Bills/Obligations: - NA

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: None

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

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September 12, 2023

Minutes of August 8, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Rebecca Mitchell gave the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee and Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam , 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion carried.

Visitors: Twenty visitors were present.

Public comments:

Mike Guinane - Diamond Lake Association - Speed limit Signs: Wanted to know if Calvin Township would pay for two 25mph speed limit signs on Sail Bay Dr. Calvin Township approved 1 on Lake St. and 1 east of Diamond View. Currently the speed limit is 55 mph this is a residential area road commission recommendation was 25mph area.

Ann Matthews, Tom Miller and others had concern regarding a gun range on the corner of Calvin Cnt and Chain Lk St. At this time it is considered a personal gun range and the township has not received any request of opening a gun range. If a request is made those within 300 feet will get a notice. If you feel threatened or shooting comes into contact with your property you are to contact the local authorities.

A resident reported to be aware of a small green RAM truck, possible break ins in the area.

Minutes: Approval of July minutes, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, to approve the Treasurer report for July general fund checks 10162-10188 and July receipts 245292-245301. Taxes are being collected until September 14th. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance- Next meeting Aug 21st

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: Working on county budget. Able to cut about 1.7 mil and still need to cut 2 mil. Potentially looking at cutting 10-15 employees.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - No report

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported -Chain Lake and Carver roads should be complete by the end of August.

Other reports: None

Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Revised Hall Agreement cost will take place January 1, 2024. All other rental agreement regulations are effective immediately.

New Business:

John Bedenke proposed Calvin township to purchase 2 speed limit signs on Diamond View Dr. and Sail Bay Dr. The township just purchased speed limit signs. Motion by Clerk Michelle Anderson, 2nd Trustee Keith Carter, to pay for one 25mph speed limit sign. Motion Carried

Calvin Township clean up vouchers were made available and were posted on the website.

Bills/Obligations:

I & M Electric \$4.90

HAAS Alarm \$99.00

Weed Control Sail Bay \$3360.00

Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Treasure Rosemary Gillam to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: None

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

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October 10, 2023

Minutes of September 12, 2023

Supervisor Glover called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Rebecca Mitchell gave the prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Supervisor Adrienne Glover, Trustees Keith Carter and Rebecca Mitchell, Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Clerk Michele Anderson absent.

Approval of regular meeting agenda, Motion by Treasurer Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Carter. Motion carried.

2 visitors were present.

No public comments. None

Minutes:

Trustee Carter motion to approve the August minutes as sent, 2nd by Treasurer Gillam. Motion Carried.

Treasurer report:

Motion by Trustee Mitchell and 2nd by Trustee Carter to approve general funds checks,10189 through 10217 and receipts 245302 through 245317. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance, Fire, and Enforcement and Roads: Trustee Carter gave all reports, and all are available upon request.

Assessor:

No report a point of information, Assessor Northrop would like to resign as the Township Assessor at year end of 2023.

Planning Commission: McKenna met with the Planning Commission to talk over a rough draft of the Master Plan.

No Assessor, Commission, Inspectors, or CAUA report.

Trustee Mitchell motion to approve all reports as given, 2nd by Treasurer Gillam. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

New Business: Received check from Sail Bay for the Speed Limit sign (\$275.00).

Bills/Obligations

Attorney \$560.00

I & M Electric \$4.92

Ambulance \$14,594.50

Zoning Solutions \$996.25

HAAS Alarm \$99.99

McKenna \$1,625.50

Accident Fund \$794.00

Brandon Young for mowing \$500.00.

Motion by Treasurer Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Mitchell, to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

There being no other business to come before the board, this meeting stands adjourn.

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November 14, 2023

Minutes of October 10, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Rebecca Mitchell gave the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee and Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam , 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion carried.

Visitors: Five visitors were present.

Public comments:

Asked if anyone has contacted the township about doing the hall floors, not yet but had another referral that was able to do them.

Minutes: Approval of September minutes, motion by Clerk Michelle Anderson, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter, to approve general fund checks 10218-10249 and receipts 245318-245332. Audit was completed waiting on the draft for the fiscal year. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance- Meeting at Wayne Township, anonymous donor provided sufficient amount of funds. SMACAS now serves 11 municipalities.

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: Passed budget and should end up in the black did not have to make cuts. Did not fill 4.5 positions that were open and pulled from the safety net. Just finished up the opioid settlement. The old courthouse is back in process of being finished and should be done within a year.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: No report

Planning Commission - No report

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported - Wade road was ground up and is now dirt. It will undergo the same process as Chain Lake St.

Other reports: None

Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Received check from accident fund for \$685.00

Floor stripping - Have a person in mind trying to find a date that works.

Property on Paradise Lake - Township owns a small lot that someone is interested in. It will be placed on seal bid our website and the newspaper.

Bills/Obligations:

Electrical Inspector \$475.20

Costco \$60

HAAS Alarm \$99.00

Mowing (Brandon Young) #850.00

McKenna \$1650.00

Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Treasure Rosemary Gillam to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Correspondence:

Mr. Turner is still waiting on a letter regarding selling his property.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Calvin Township Regular Board meeting

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December 12, 2023

Minutes of November 14, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Clerk Michelle Anderson gave the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee. Absent Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam , 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion carried.

Visitors: Eight visitors were present.

Public comments:

Ms. Miller, had a question regarding fencing regulations on lakefront property. Has an issue regarding a boat lifts in the front yard and blocking peripheral vision of the lake . The ordinance in place in in regards to vehicles and boat lifts are not vehicles. Feels the zoning board of appeals has failed them. Township will turn the concern over to the Township attorney to address the ordinance and boat lift concern.

-During a Penn township meeting it was mentioned that the Calvin Township minutes were not posted on the internet. .

Minutes: Approval of October minutes, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson . Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson to approve general fund checks 10250-10269 and receipts 245333-245343.

Audit report came back good.

December 1st Winter taxes will be mailed with a newsletter. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance- Moving forward with SMACAS about (\$18,000 a week) among 11 municipalities.

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: Opioid meeting 15 mil will be distributed over 10 years. Looking at how to use and would like to use toward ambulance services. Short on road patrol leasing out to the tribe. 10% increase risk of losing 24 hour service. A policy meeting will be held for transportation and mileage. Cass Public Transit is bankrupt and may not be supported and in need of funds, this may be in millage.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: Minutes on file

Planning Commission - No report

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported - a meeting will be held to go over the 5 year plan.

Other reports:

Zoning: Douglas M. Kuhlman reported: Gravel mining taking place at the State Level. State wants to take over townships and municipalities say so. Will preempt renewable energy within a year, nothing yet.

State terms regarding short term rentals - Calvin may need to consider, with current ordinance right now 90% can't rent. Ordinance and planning commission zoning and policies are not ready yet.

Sheriff Behnke reported: New tower was put in for the policing network and will benefit St. Joe and Cass county, cost of 1.98 mil will be split. Cass County Animal Shelter Christmas(flier shared.) Thankfully the animal release rate is up from 50% to 95% increase in release rate.

Be careful of Facebook's scams, one we are aware of is from Rehna in Dowagiac.

Be careful deer are moving and car accidents are up.

There are 8 vacancies for the police academy, the county will pay for training, you have to be over 21 and a correction officer if under 21.

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson , to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

Sale of Land on Paradise Lake -Turn over to realtor? It is 2 plots of land by Paradise Lake that overlooks land off Chicago Rd.. Motioned by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion carried.

New Business:

-Received check from Enbridge \$2,200 for grant request from Trustee Keith Carter for AED's. One will be placed in the community center and the other in the building office.

-Property clean up - Ballard \$1,520, only one bid came in, it was a concern that the bidder may have had ties to the company that put the bid out. job. Hard to find people to do clean-ups, will continue to try to get another bid. Clean-up amount owed will be placed on property taxes. Motioned by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Clerk Michelle Anderson, motion carried.

-Road tour will take place November 28th at 6:00pm

-Cell tower - It would be a 50 year lease and placed in the back corner of the Calvin Township Cemetery providing the township approximately \$700 a month income.

-Send a thank you card to Calvin Community Church for their donation.

Dusk to dawn signs need to be purchased for the parks because people are parking and parked and walking around the parks very late at night, and without the signs the police can't ask why their in the park so late or even to leave. Motion by Clerk Michelle Anderson, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam. Motion carried.

Also still an issue of people parking along the road. No parking signs are up but are being ignored, not sure what else to do. All overflow parking should use the other parking lot by the Township Office building..

Bills/Obligations:

MEC Electric Office \$105.83

Costco \$60

MEC Electric Community Cnt. \$340.65

HAAS Alarm \$99.00

Electrical Inspector \$1054.80

- Call Franger and pay up to \$2,000 if needed

Zoning Solutions \$998.13

Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasure Rosemary Gillam to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

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January 9, 2024

Minutes of December 12, 2023

Supervisor Adrienne Glover called the Calvin Township Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Trustee Rebecca Mitchell gave the opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Board members present were as follows, Adrienne Glover-Supervisor, Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee and Rebecca Mitchell-Trustee.

Agenda: Approval of regular meeting agenda, motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell. Motion carried.

Visitors: Eleven visitors were present.

Public comments:

Question asked if the township has Ambulance service? Yes, we have service being provided by SMACAS. It is located on Brick Church Rd.

Minutes: Approval of November minutes, motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam , 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter . Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell , 2nd by Trustee Keith Carter to approve general fund checks 10270-10292 and receipts 245344-245352. December 1st Winter tax bills were mailed if you have not received it please let Rosemary know. Motion Carried.

Reports:

Ambulance- Meeting was held on Dec. 2nd. Ambulance service will cost \$17,000 a week and will be distributed among townships. We will have advanced life support out of Niles. Although we have Ambulance Services, it's still a work in process.

Assessor: No report

Fire: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported: The Wildlife Stewart Award was granted to Bianca May. County has new IT ransom ware. Christmas with the animals over 200 visitors 1/3 of funds

needed were received. Discussion of seven days early voting and townships wanting to participate.

Inspectors or Zoning Administrator: Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

CAUA: Dyes reported: A study will be conducted over the next couple of years. A company such as a smartpark to make sure there is enough capacity to grow toward Dowagiac. Heritage ISD would like to have a Tech Center at the smartpark.

Planning Commission - No report

Enforcement/Blight – Trustee Keith Carter read the report-report available upon request.

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported: Calvin Hill, half of Cassopolis St. Process has begun on Wade Rd. (double chip and seal) \$140,00 - \$150,000 if funds are available Stewart road.

Other reports: None

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

-Sale of Land on Paradise Lake - need to be turned over to the attorney because one of the two pieces is landlocked. Property is located off of Chicago rd. and the other is landlocked. Trustee Keith Carter will contact the realtors.

-Cell Tower, per an email it was recommended that we approve the tower. Other companies can use it and we would receive funds. Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell. Motion Carried.

-Concerns of Ms. Millers of Diamond Lake from the last meeting were addressed with our attorney.

New Business:

-Election Worker approvals: Precinct Chair: Jenice Cloud, Election Inspectors: Michael Anderson, Elsie Randle, Sharon Haithcox, Brandon Anderson and Beth James and any certified election workers as needed. Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell ,2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, Motion Carried.

-AV drop box, not required for our size township. Was able to receive it for free. It may be placed outside the township hall office, where surveillance is already in place.

-February 27th is the Presidential Primary Election. More information on early voting to come.

- Proposed 2024 Fire Agreement of \$25,000 (same as last year) total paid by June. Motion by Clerk Michelle Anderson, 2nd by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, opposed by Trustee Keith Carter. Motion Carried.

Bills/Obligations:

Electrical Inspector \$681.30
Plumbing/Mechanical \$1024.00

HAAS Alarm \$99.00

Motion by Trustee Rebecca Mitchell, 2nd by Treasure Rosemary Gillam to pay said obligations and any standing obligations due before the next board meeting. Motion Carried.

Remarks: A resident shared after waiting four months a letter was finally received from the zoning administrator regarding why he's not able to split his property. The Letter shared with the resident it's ,because of preserving farmland. Resident does not feel this is the case and would like to meet with the zoning administrator. Another resident shared they would like to meet with the zoning administrator as well. Trustee Keith Carter will set up the meetings.

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Adrienne Glover, Supervisor
Michelle Anderson, Clerk