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Calvin Township Regular Board meeting

WM. J. Robinson Community Center

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February 11, 2025

Minutes of January 14, 2025

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, Michelle Anderson- Clerk, Keith Carter- Trustee and Rosemary Gillam-Treasurer, Jim Hershberger -Trustee.

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

Visitors: Five visitors were present.

Public comments: Several residents present were concerned about the blight letters they had received during the month of December, 2024. Sharing at this time of year it's difficult to do any yard clean-up, to meet the deadlines. After discussion, Keith Carter will talk with Beth of Zoning Solutions to see how we can better work with our residents, especially this time of the year.

An inquiry on an completion date of the Township Master Plan was asked and at this time the plan is being revisited due to the housing and commercial needs that the state and county are encouraging all and every municipalities to look into therefore, no official timeline at this point.

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

Treasurer Report: Treasurer report as approved Motion by trustee Jim Hershberger , 2nd by trustee Keith Carter general fund checks 10576-10602 and receipts 680889-680893.

Reports:

Commissioner: RJ Lee reported Administrator resigned. Residents can Contact Beth Daley in Human Resources if they need anything. The new chair for the Board of Commissioners is Jerimiah Jones and Jim Lawrence Vice chair. They have removed the economic development board at this time. A K-9 vehicle/unit was purchased and the commissioner schedule has been approved.

Assessor: None

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

Ambulance- Trustee Keith Carter reported- available upon request.

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

CAUA: None

Planning Commission - Zoom discussion was held on 01/14/2025 with, Township Attorney Seeber and Zoning Administrator Kuhlman, Trustee Carter, Zoning Board Chair, Hershberger and Supervisor Glover, discussing the need to move forward in opening up zoning changes to meet the need of housing and commercial needs within the Township.

Enforcement/Blight – None

Road Committee – Trustee Keith Carter reported: The road department wanted to know if the township would like to stripe half of the township at a cost of \$8,467.02. It was decided at this time to place it on hold.

Other reports: DNR grant opened today. BOR members are up to date with certifications.

Motion by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam, 2nd by Treasurer Jim Hershberger, to approve reports as given. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

-Opening sealed bid for property on Paradise Lake. From LaBounty - 17259 Paradise Lk Rd. bid of \$4,000 parcel#14-010-097-00. Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam to accept the bid. Motion Carried.

New Business:

–Franchise agreement with I & M - need to adopt and approve ordinance. Ordinance #2025-01ORD. Motion by Trustee Keith Carter, 2nd by Treasurer Rosemary Gillam to approve ordinance. Motion Carried.

-Resolution & minutes to reflect the new deputy treasurer. Denise Cloud appointed as deputy treasurer. Resolution 2025-01.

Bills/Obligations

MEC: Community Cnt	Electrical Inspector	I&M Electric \$5.71
-Phone \$50.68	\$462.20	Republic Trash \$389.20
-WiFi \$70.00	Mechanical Inspector	HAAS Alarm \$99.00
MEC: Township Office	\$722.40	Rose Pest Control \$3.00
-Phone\$81.87	Franger \$512.14	Progressive \$840.00
-WiFi \$100	IDrive \$99.50	

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: Suki Leozie Broadnax served as Calvin Township Clerk for 56 years.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Glover, Supervisor
Michelle Anderson, Clerk