

Newfield Township

3890 198th Ave.

Hesperia, MI 49421

April 16, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Our meeting was called to order by our Supervisor, Joan David. The pledge was recited. The roll call was as follows: Amanda Hunter, John Clark, Rick Roberson, Nancy Conley and Joan David.

John Clark made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Rick Roberson. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 19th, 2024 meeting, seconded by John Clark. The motion carried.

There were no Public Comments on agenda items.

Rick Roberson made a motion to approve paying the following bills checks # 15301- 15336 including 2 EFTS for a total of \$25,327.84. Amanda Hunter seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Correspondence-

Joan read something from MTA on training offered for Zoning and Zoning Board of Appeals. The closest training is in Kalamazoo on May 29th. She also went over the training offered at the County level for Zoning, checking on who is interested.

Old Business – none

New Business

Nancy Conley made a motion seconded by John Clark for Joan David to attend the MTA Conference in Traverse City next week, including her hotel, cost of conference, plus wages and mileage. The conference lasts April 22-25 and the cost is \$465.00. Her hotel will be \$125.00 per night. The motion carried.

Joan David made a motion to appoint Don Bostrom to our Zoning Board of Appeals. It was seconded by Rick Roberson. The motion carried.

Joan David made a motion that Don Bostrom, Steve Micklin, and Dennis David attend the ZBA training by MTA in Kalamazoo on May 29th, 2024, which also includes the cost of \$100.00 each for the training and their mileage and wages, and a book pertaining to what the training is covering. Amanda Hunter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The training for Zoning that is being offered in Hart is May 16th, from 6:30-8:30. There is no charge.

Reports:

MTA- The county MTA meeting will be held May 29th, at our Newfield Township Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission – The last meeting updated by laws were handed out. Mapping info from McKenna on our Master Plan was also distributed.

Cemetery – Dennis reported he had 3 burials since last meeting. He also ordered the flags for the Veterans graves at both cemeteries.

Zoning - Steve gave his monthly Zoning Report. He issued 4 more permits and had calls on 3 more. Steve also informed us of our annual Spring Dump Day, which will be held here at the hall on June 1, 2024 from 8a.m. until 1 p.m. or until the dumpsters are full, whichever happens first.

Public Comments - There were several Public Comments.

Board Discussion- John Clark read a letter of resignation from his trustee job effective as of April 16, 2024. Nancy Conley made a motion to accept John Clarks resignation seconded by Rick Roberson. The motion carried. Comments were made by several about John’s time on the board and the planning commission over the years.

Amanda Hunter read a letter of resignation effective April 30,2024 and asking for an official vote tonight to accept the resignation. Nancy Conley made a motion to accept Amanda Hunters resignation as the Newfield Township Treasurer, effective April 30, 2024, seconded by Rick Roberson. The motion carried. Comments were made by several about Amandas time on the board.

Joan had a question to the limit of the amount of goods purchased on our Amazon account. Nancy stated she would look into it along with Joan.

A motion was made by Amanda Hunter , seconded by Rick Roberson to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Nancy L. Conley

Newfield Township Clerk

Newfield Township

3890 S. 198th Ave.,

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May 2, 2024

Special Meeting

3:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by our Supervisor Joan David. The following members were present:

Richard Roberson, Nancy Conley, and Joan David. We have a quorum to conduct a meeting.

There were no Public Comments.

New Business

Rick Roberson made a motion to accept Mike Rosema's resignation from Planning Commission effective immediately. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to accept Wayne Ferris resignation from Planning Commission effective immediately. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to accept Mary Hopkins resignation from Planning Commission effective immediately. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to appoint Wayne Ferris for Township trustee effective immediately. Two people applied for the position. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

The township received 4 applicants for the Planning Commission positions.

Rick Roberson made a motion to appoint Butch Bolles to Planning Commission effective immediately to fill the vacancy of Mike Rosema until Jan .17, of 2025. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to appoint Tabitha Druso to Planning Commission effective immediately to fill the vacancy of Wayne Ferris until Jan. 17, 2025. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to appoint Jon Sauser to Planning Commission effective immediately to fill the vacancy of Mary Hopkins until Jan 17,2025. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to appoint Mary Hopkins as Township Treasurer, effective immediately. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried. There were two applicants for the job.

Rick Roberson by resolution made a motion to increase the Deputy Treasurers pay to \$18.00 per hour, unlimited, as the new deputy will be training the new treasurer. This is effective immediately. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Nancy Conley made a motion to contact BSA for a one day training session on the software for the new treasurer and her deputy. Joan David seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Joan David made a motion to remove Amanda Hunter and Peggy Rumsey from all bank accounts at Shelby State Bank and any other accounts their names appear on and add Mary Hopkins and Jane Bostrom. Rick Roberson seconded it. The motion carried.

Joan David made a motion to remove Amanda Hunter and Peggy Rumsey from all bank accounts at Choice One Bank and any other accounts their names appear on and add Mary Hopkins. Rick Roberson seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to adjourn seconded by Joan David. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

Nancy Conley

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May 2, 2024

Special Meeting- Reconvened

3:30 p.m.

Joan called the meeting to order. The following members were present : Rick Roberson, Nancy Conley and Joan David. We have a quorum to conduct the meeting.

There were no public comments.

Rick Roberson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special meeting from May 2, 2024. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Nancy Conley

Newfield Township Clerk