

Convis Township Board Regular Meeting
Tuesday April 12, 2022, 7:00 PM
Convis Township Hall
19500 15 Mile Road, Marshall, MI 49068
Minutes

Call To Order: Supervisor Harvey called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the pledge to the flag.

Board Members present: Supervisor Ryan Harvey, Clerk Kim Collins, Treasurer Kristy Kipp, Trustee Elyse Bibbings and Trustee John Swartz.

Agenda: Agenda accepted as presented.

Minutes: Motion made by Kipp, seconded by Swartz to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2022, Regular Township Board meeting as presented. In favor: 5 Ayes. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Sheriff Deputy Report: Deputy Diepenhorst was unable to attend, in her absence Sargent Paesens reported on activity for March 2022.

Public Comment: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Calhoun County Senior Millage Presentation: Kate Turner representing Calhoun County Senior Services provided an update on programs and services offered through support from the Senior Millage, including reports showing demographics and statistics reflecting totals overall for Calhoun County as well as by township.

Lawn Care Contract: Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Bibbings to approve a lawn care bid from Higley's Tree Service, LLC for 2022 clean up, lawn care, and weed control for both cemeteries and township hall properties at a cost of \$23,500.00. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Inspectional Services and Permitting Agreement: Motion made by Collins, seconded by Bibbings to approve the Inspectional Services and Permitting Agreement between Convis Township and Calhoun Solar Energy LLC as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Cemetery Committee Recommendations: Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Collins to approve \$250.00 for flowers to be planted in urns at both cemeteries and the township hall. Roll call vote: Ayes: Harvey, Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings, Collins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Collins, seconded by Bibbings to raise cemetery foundation fees from .30/square inch to .50/square inch. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings, Collins, Harvey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kipp, seconded by Swartz to add a winter burial fee of \$100.00 at the discretion of the cemetery sexton, include additional weekend and holiday fees for specific holidays as listed, and add no burials allowed on specific holidays as listed. Roll call vote: Ayes: Swartz, Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kipp, seconded by Swartz to amend Section 8 'Interment Regulations' of the Convis Township Cemetery Ordinance, following agreement on a minor wording revision. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Parks Purchase Approval: Motion made by Kipp, seconded by Collins to approve a bid in the amount of \$4,034.00 from Snider Recreation, Inc. for the purchase of 4 benches and 1 trash can plus shipping as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Collins, seconded by Bibbings to approve a bid in the amount of \$3,150.00 from Fields Electric for the purchase and installation of a playground light and pole as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Harvey, Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings, Collins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2022-04-01: Motion made by Collins, seconded by Swartz to adopt Resolution 2022-04-01 as presented, authorizing the Convis Township Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer to invest township funds with the 18 financial investment institutions listed. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings, Collins, Harvey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Supervisor Harvey reported he has completed and submitted the ARPA funds request. Clerk Collins announced dates for 2 upcoming events being conducted by Calhoun County Solid Waste.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Collins, seconded by Harvey to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Swartz, Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Pay Bills: Clerk Collins noted one addition to the bills, \$2,017.00 to Snider Recreation. Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Kipp to pay all bills as amended in the amount of \$85,419.76, with payment to Steve Buller to be held until funds are released from escrow by Calhoun Solar. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Committee/Township Representative Reports

Zoning Administrator: Nothing additional to report.

Bellevue Fire Control Board: Supervisor Harvey reported on the March meeting. He noted a problem with concrete in front of the fire station, which the township may be asked to share cost of replacement. The next meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2022.

Calhoun County Road Department: Nothing additional to report.

Custodian: Ron Petty noted 6 rental days for March.

Ambulance Authority: Margaret Harvey reported on the March meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2022.

Building/Park Committee: Nothing additional to report.

Cemetery Committee: Nothing additional to report.

Marshall Township Fire: Clerk Collins reported on the April meeting. A quarterly meeting will be scheduled.

Planning Commission: Trustee Bibbings reported on the March meeting. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2022, with the possibility of a special public hearing and meeting being scheduled for Hammond Farms special land use application.

Board Member Comments: Supervisor Harvey reported on the dispatch authority meeting, with plans to add a millage proposal to the August ballot.

Final Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Supervisor Harvey adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Kimberly L. Collins
Convis Township Clerk

Approved as printed, at the May 10, 2022 regular meeting of the Convis Township Board of Trustees