

**Convis Township Board Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesday February 14, 2023, 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.

**Board Members absent/excused:** None

**Agenda:** Agenda accepted as presented.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Kipp, seconded by Bibbings to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023, Regular Township Board meeting as presented. In favor: 5 Ayes. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

**Sheriff Deputy Report:** Deputy Williamson reported on activity for the month of January 2023.

**Public Comment:** Invenergy Site Manager Bowen Linto provided an update on recent activity and current status of the solar project.

Calhoun County Commissioner Steve Frisbie discussed several items currently being addressed at the county level.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**

**AMSA Board Appointment:** Motion by Harvey, seconded by Kipp to appoint Carl Fowler as the Convis Township representative to the AMSA Board. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**SEMCO Energy Request for Grant of Franchise:** The current grant of franchise will expire soon, and SEMCO is asking for a grant of franchise renewal. Supervisor Harvey has asked the township's legal counsel to review the proposed ordinance prior to any action taken by the Board. This request will be addressed by the Board at the March 2023 regular meeting following review by the attorney.

**Audit – Siegfried Crandall:** Notification was received that the annual township audit will be scheduled for June 19, 2023.

**MAFFAA Request for Contribution:** Motion made by Collins, seconded by Bibbings to approve a contribution of \$5,000.00 toward a power cot replacement as requested by Marshall Area Fire Fighters Ambulance Authority. Roll call vote: Ayes: Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**CCRD Policy 509 update-Convis Township 2023 Local Roads request:** Following discussion of updates to Calhoun County Road Department's Policy 509, motion made by Harvey, seconded by Swartz to recommend prioritizing chip seal road maintenance work for 2023 in the following order: Q Drive North from 14 Mile Road to 16 Mile Road; Q Drive North from 16-1/2 Mile Road to the East Twp. Line; 15 Mile Road from N Drive North to 15-1/2 Mile Road; P Drive North from 14 Mile Road to the dead end. Roll call vote: Ayes: Harvey, Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings, Collins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Planning Commission Schedule 2023-2024:** Motion made by Collins, seconded by Bibbings to approve the recommended Planning Commission meeting schedule as presented. In favor: 5 Ayes. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

**Budget Resolution 2023-02-01:** Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Kipp to adopt Resolution 2023-02-01 Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Amendment as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kipp, Swartz, Bibbings, Collins, Harvey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Supervisor Harvey offered a reminder of the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners public hearing on March 2, 2023 regarding a proposed ORV ordinance.

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Collins 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 3 additions to the bills, \$810.03 to Consumers Energy Gas, \$252.00 to Michigan Office Solutions, and \$5,000.00 to MAFFAA. Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Bibbings to pay all bills as amended in the amount of \$60,498.25. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Swartz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### **Committee/Township Representative Reports**

**Zoning Administrator:** Trustee Swartz said electrical inspections on the solar project should now be done. Zoning Administrator Carl Fowler had no additional report.

**Bellevue Fire Control Board:** Supervisor Harvey provided details from the January 2023 meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2023.

**Calhoun County Road Department:** No additional report.

**Custodian:** Ron Petty reported 1 hall rental in January.

**Ambulance Authority:** Margaret Harvey reported on the January 2023 meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2023.

**Building/Park Committee:** Treasurer Kipp said paperwork has been submitted for parks millage. Supervisor Harvey has spoken with New Horizons regarding lawn care and should have bids for 2023 work for the budget workshop.

**Cemetery Committee:** No report.

**Marshall Township Fire:** The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2023.

**Planning Commission:** Trustee Bibbings reported on the January meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2023.

**Board Member Comments:** Clerk Collins shared details of the recent election audit, and a reminder of the upcoming budget workshop on February 22, 2023. Supervisor Harvey announced 2023 March Board of Review dates and times.

**Final Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment:** Supervisor Harvey adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.

Kimberly L. Collins  
Convis Township Clerk

Approved as printed, at the March 14, 2023 regular meeting of the Convis Township Board of Trustees.