

**Convis Township Board Regular Meeting
Tuesday November 12, 2024, 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, and Trustees Elyse Bibbings and Frank Irish

Absent/Excused: None

Agenda: Agenda accepted as presented.

Minutes: Motion made by Kipp, seconded by Irish to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2024, Regular Township Board meeting as presented. In favor: 5 Ayes. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Sheriff Deputy Report: Deputy Madsen reported on activity for October 2024.

Public Comment: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Bellevue Community Fire Department Property Purchase: Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Collins to authorize expending up to \$15,000.00 to purchase property for a new Bellevue Community Fire Department fire station in Bellevue and any other associated usual and customary expenses. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bibbings, Collins, Harvey, Kipp, Irish. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Supervisor Harvey received an email from Planning Commission Chair Collins stating the commission will begin the 5-year Master Plan review process at its next meeting.

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

Pay Bills: Motion made by Harvey, seconded by Kipp to pay all bills as presented in the amount of \$50,151.33. Roll call vote: Ayes: Harvey, Kipp, Irish, Bibbings, Collins. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Committee/Township Representative Reports

Zoning Administrator: Jen Bomba stated Invenergy inquired whether Convis Township has language in their Zoning Ordinance pertaining to battery storage, which it does not. She suggested we consider adding such language and will look for sample language to discuss with the Planning Commission.

Bellevue Fire Control Board: Supervisor Harvey reported there will be a special meeting with Kalamo Township November 22, 2024 to discuss their contract. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2024.

Marshall Township Fire: Jeff Collins reported on the ceremonial groundbreaking held October 24, 2024 for the new fire station. The next meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2025.

Custodian: No report.

Building/Park Committee: Motion made by Kipp, seconded by Collins to appoint Marguerite Davenport to the committee to fill the vacancy left by Ron Petty. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kipp, Irish, Bibbings, Collins, Harvey. Nays: None. Motion carried. A meeting will be scheduled soon to research ideas for improvements or additions using parks millage funds.

Calhoun County Road Department: Supervisor Harvey reported the 13 Mile Road culvert repair is ongoing.

Planning Commission: The next meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2024.

Ambulance Authority: Margaret Harvey reported on the October meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for November 21, 2024.

Board Member Comments: Clerk Collins reported on the November general election. Trustee Irish reported on the Materials Management committee meeting he recently attended. The next meeting will be December 3, 2024.

Final Public Comment: Donia Gavrilovich questioned whether local fire departments would have safety plans in place and necessary equipment and training needed should a battery storage facility be built in our township.

Jeff Collins thanked the board for supporting planning commission members and staff to attend the Citizen Planner classes.

Adjournment: Supervisor Harvey adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM.

Kimberly L. Collins
Convis Township Clerk

Approved as printed, at the December 10, 2024 regular meeting of the Convis Township Board of Trustees.