GENESEE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 12, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Supervisor Eashoo.

All present gave Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Eashoo, Bates, Sorensen, Gerace, Duplanty and Bock

Absent: Witte

Also present: 14 guests

Moved by Bates supported by Sorensen to approve agenda. No discussion. Vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Gerace to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2023 board meeting without corrections. No discussion. Vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Sorensen to close regular board meeting and open the public hearing for comments concerning the 2024 Genesee Township Budget. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 2024 Genesee Township Budget

Eashoo opened the public comment section of the hearing. No public comment at this time regarding 2024 Genesee Township Budget. No Board member comments at this time.

Moved by Bates supported by Bock to close Public Hearing for the 2024 Genesee Township Budget and resume the regular Board Meeting. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: 2024 Genesee Township Budget

PRESENTATIONS: None

\*PUBLIC COMMENTS: Supervisor Eashoo reminded all present that public comments are limited to 3 minutes on agenda items only. No comments at this time.

**CLERK**

Moved by Sorensen supported by Duplanty to approve **Resolution 23-22.** - Rejection of listed tax reverted properties obtained by tax foreclosure from the Genesee County Treasurer. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Duplanty to approve **Resolution 23-23** – Extinguishing all taxes and fees on tax reverted properties by Genesee Township, Genesee County Treasurer, Genesee County Land Bank and any other governmental agency and all special assessments for properties located in the Dort Industrial Park (Energy Drive). No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

**SUPERVISOR**

Moved by Bates supported by Sorensen to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance #633 – Rezoning of vacant land Parcel 11-19-552-078 on Holtslander from R-2 Single Family/Two Family Residential to I-1 Light Industrial. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Bock approve appointment of Ray Lee to the Planning Commission for a term of 3 years effective January 1, 2024. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Gerace approve appointment of Dr. Charles Wade to the Planning Commission for a term of 3 years effective January 1, 2024. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Gerace to approve appointment of Noelle Walton to the Planning Commission for a term of 3 years effective December 12, 2023. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Duplanty approve appointment of Dennis Bock to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of 3 years effective January 1, 2024. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Duplanty approve appointment of Will Anderson to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of 3 years effective January 1, 2024. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Duplanty to approve appointment of Tod Sorensen and Robin Ackerman as the Genesee Township Representatives on the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee effective January 1, 2024. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Gerace to approve renewal of Genesee Township Blue Care Network, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Medicare Blue PPO, Delta Dental, Eye Med Plan and Med Mutual Life. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Bock to approve 2024 Township holidays and Board Meeting dates. Discussion held. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Duplanty approve PEG Grant reimbursement to Genesee High School in the amount of $1,200. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sorensen supported by Gerace to approve emergency repair to Tanker 12 in the amount of $2,262.97. Discussion held. Chief Fremd stated that this is a front main oil leak. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bates supported by Sorensen to approve promotion of Genesee Township Firefighter Kevin Costello from Firefighter to Sergeant at Station #2 effective December 1, 2023. Discussion held. Eashoo asked Mr. Costello how many years of service he had with the Fire Department. He stated 10 total years.

Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Review and discuss the appeal request of Jacob Darley who resides at 4121 N. Vassar Rd. to rescind the $500 fine assessed for an unauthorized burn on October 27, 2023. Jacob Darley stated that he was just trying to clean up the property and was not aware that he needed a burn permit for the type of fire pit that he has. The fire started as a brush fire and turned into a whole yard cleanup fire. He did come into the Township and got a burn permit after incident. He stated that he can’t afford to pay the $500 fine. This is his first offense and is asking for some leniency.

Moved by Bates supported by Sorensen to reduce the $500 fine to $250 for an unauthorized burn that took place at 4121 N. Vassar Rd. on October 27, 2023. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER**

Sorensen presented bill list for November 2023.

Moved by Sorensen supported by Bates to approve December bill list and Financial Statement. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sorensen supported by Bates to approve **Resolution 23-21** – Township Depositories as presented. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes.

**FIRE** – Duplanty presented report

**POLICE COMMITTEE** – Gerace presented report.

**DPW** – No report given

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

**NEW BUSINESS** - None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Supervisor Eashoo reminded all present that public comments are limited to 3 minutes. There were no comments at this time.

**COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Eashoo stated that there will be a special Board meeting on December 21, 2023 at noon and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Moved by Bates supported by Gerace to adjourn meeting. No discussion. Vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

\*3 minutes, agenda items

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Wayne Bates, Clerk Daniel Eashoo, Supervisor