

**PAW PAW TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
July 11, 2022
114 N. GREMPS STREET
PAW PAW, MICHIGAN 49079**

Supervisor Stull called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public comment:

Matt Nilson let us know he is running for State Representative.

Pauline Wendzel, running for State Representative.

Matt Miller, talked about the large acreage of solar farms that are needed to replace the power generated by the Palisades did not want our residents to miss out on the opportunity.

Board members present:

Donald Stull, Matthew Miller, Fran Sanders, and Lisa Zinkil, Rebecca Payne

Board members absent:

None

Guests present:

Matt Nilson, Pauline Wendzel, Mr. and Mrs Smallcombe, a few others who did not sign in.

Approval of minutes.

Motion by Stull seconded by Zinkil to approve the

June 13, 2022, regular with 1 correction and the June 21, 2022 Joint with PC, and July 06, 2022 special meeting minutes.

In Favor Aye: All Aye

Motion Carried

Additions to Agenda:

Remove item #6 under the Supervisor and add item #4 under the treasurer for discussion on quarterly billing.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Stull seconded by Payne to approve agenda with 1 removal and 1 addition.

In Favor Aye: All Aye

Motion Carried

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Sheriff's Report

Deputy was not present to read highlights from the June 2022 sheriff's report.

Motion by Miller seconded by Zinkil to renew Paw Paw Quick Response Contract.

Roll Call Vote: Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Stull Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Discussion on planting trees in Wildey cemetery.

Motion by Stull seconded by Sanders to plant 3 flowering trees at a cost of no more than \$300 in Wildey cemetery

Roll Call Vote: Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Stull Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Motion by Miller seconded by Stull to put the lots on 35 1/5 street up for sale.

Roll Call Vote: Stull Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Motion by Stull seconded by Payne to approve ordinance 281 to impose penalty on building code offenders.

Roll Call Vote: Payne Yea, Stull Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Supervisor stull advised he removed the discussion on cemetery crack sealing as he did not get the bids back as there is a shortage of supplies.

Discussion on increasing the Deputy Cannabis Coordinator pay. Will reconsider when and if the duties pick up.

Treasurer's Report

Zinkil presented Board with expenditure report.

General Fund expenditures \$ 40,335.26

Sewer Fund expenditures \$ 97,403.25

Payroll expenditures \$ 37,944.88

Motion by Zinkil seconded by Sanders to approve expenditures as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Stull Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Zinkil gave the Impress Fund balance of \$ 888,411.95.

Motion by Zinkil seconded by Stull to approve the escheat policies.

Roll Call Vote: Stull Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Clerks Report:

Motion by Payne seconded by Stull to approve resolution R220711-1 to add escheat and raise policies to the administrative procedures manual.

Roll Call Vote: Stull Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

Motion by Stull seconded by Zinkil to approve the cost-of-living adjustment for the 22/23 fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote: Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea, Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Stull Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent (0). Motion carried.

The Clerk next reported that the Township Board has received petitions requesting an aquatic plant control program on Lake Cora in Paw Paw Township and to establish a special assessment district under the authority of Michigan Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, to finance the program.

The Supervisor and Clerk next reported that they had checked the signatures on the petitions, the record owners of land within the Township contained within the district and had determined that the owners of 83.04 % of land (by acreage) within the district had signed the petitions requesting the special assessment district for an aquatic plant control program on Lake Cora.

Motion when then made by Payne, seconded by Stull, that the petitions be received by the Township Board and that the Supervisor and Clerk's determination that the owners of 83.04% land within the district had signed the petitions be accepted as part of the minutes of the meeting. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Motion was made by Payne, seconded by Zinkil, that the Township Board directs that plans and costs estimates for the proposed aquatic plant control project be prepared and placed on file with the Township Clerk for publica examination. These plans and estimates, which had been prepared in anticipation of the Board's action, were then presented to the Board for consideration. The total estimated treatment cost for the proposed aquatic plant control project was \$ 21,000. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Motion was then made by Payne seconded by Sanders, to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. R220711-2

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION

DECLARATION OF INTENT TO MAKE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.
TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended ("Act 188") provides that the Township Board may proceed and exercise the powers granted by Act 188 upon petitions submitted to the Board, to establish a special assessment district to provide for improvements including an aquatic plant control project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined, based upon petitions submitted, that it is in the best interests of Paw Paw Township and of the property owners on and in the vicinity of Lake

Cora, including abutting property owners and back lot owners, that an aquatic plant control project be continued on Lake Cora; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined to secure plans and cost estimates for the continuation of an aquatic plant control project for Lake Cora; and

WHEREAS, Act 188 provides the means to finance the proposed aquatic plant control project improvements,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Township Board, acting on the basis of petitions submitted by property owners on and in the vicinity of Lake Cora, does hereby tentatively declare its intent to undertake an aquatic plant control program on Lake Cora in Paw Paw Township.
2. That the Township Board has obtained preliminary plans for the aquatic plant control program on Lake Cora from Savin Lake Services, which plans describe the proposed program and contain an estimate of costs, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.
3. That said plans shall be filed with the Township Clerk.
4. That the Township Board does hereby tentatively designate the special assessment district known as the LAKE CORA AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL PROJECT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 866, consisting of certain parcels of land, the descriptions of which are set forth herein and attached hereto as Exhibit B and against which all or a portion of the cost of said improvements shall be assessed.
5. That the Township Board shall hold a public hearing on any objections to the project, the cost estimates, the approval of the carryover of any unexpended (surplus) funds from the existing special assessment district to the LAKE CORA AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL PROJECT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 866 and the proposed special assessment district on August 8, 2022 at a meeting of the Township Board at the Paw Paw Township Hall; and
6. That the Township Clerk be instructed to give the proper notice of such hearing by mailing and publication in accordance with the law and statute provided; and
7. That all Resolutions and parts of Resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Motion by Payne seconded by Sanders to approve resolution R220711-2 .

Roll Call Vote: Sanders Yea, Payne Yea, Stull Yea, Zinkil Yea, Miller Yea

Yeas: (5) Nays: (0) Absent: (0) Motion carried

TRUSTEES REPORT

PLANNING COMMISSION

Sanders informed the board that the Planning Commission had a meeting on June 21st, and they tabled Schafer in May and he came back in June with more detail and was approved. The Planning Commission did not give the Mendoza's a favorable review.

FIRE BOARD

Sanders read fire report with 7 calls to Township in June. Also pointed out some highlights of their yearly Audit.

The board updated the audience on the purchase of the old 5/3 bank building on Red Arrow Highway for use as a senior activity center if the millage passes in August.

Public comment:

None

Stull adjourned the meeting at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca F. Payne, Clerk
Paw Paw Township