Kearney Township Regular Board Meeting
4820 Aero Park Drive, Bellaire, MI 49615
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Minutes

April 6, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Niepoth, Murray, Valuet, Hagood and Comben.

Conflict of Interest: None.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Murray, to approve agenda, with additions of G. Assessor Policy and H. Anavon Camera Proposal under New Business, carried.

Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood, to approve the Board meeting minutes of March 9, 2026, as presented, carried.

Motion by Comben, supported by Hagood, to approve the Fire Board Budget Hearing Minutes from March 23, 2026, as presented, carried.

Motion by Hagood, supported by Murray, to approve payment of the bills, as presented, in the amount of $15,494.55, carried.

Public Comment: Deanna Jerdee, Paddle Antrim Executive Director, shared highlights of the 2025 season and trail improvements. Sheriff's Department monthly update presented.

Old Business:

Leslie Meyers, information, FEMA response letter: Ms. Meyers provided information regarding Application for Participation in the National Flood Insurance Program, anticipated next steps and updated the Board on flooding and dam issues. Supervisor to complete Application.

Federal ADA Compliance pertaining to Township website, STG proposal: Clerk signed up for STG's free accessibility study of the township website. No further action taken at this time.

Michigan PAR Plan Risk Assessment: Clerk awaiting call from Par Plan representative.

Xerox Lease/Purchase discussion: Board discussed information provided by vendor on purchase of new printer. Motion by Hagood, supported by Valuet, to purchase Xerox color printer, as presented, carried.

Planning Commission laptop purchase: Treasurer obtained quotes from HP for Planning Commission laptops and Assessor desktop. Assessor desktop price much higher than prior

quote. Clerk to contact Dell for quotes on Planning Commission laptops and Staples for Assessor desktop.

New Business:

Great Lakes Energy Franchise Agreement: Clerk to forward township attorney markup of agreement to counsel for Great Lakes Energy.

Library Board opening: Motion by Valuet, supported by Murray, to appoint Mary Jo Hickey to Library Board for a four (4) year term, carried.

Spring Township Cleanup: Spring cleanup dates will be June 1st for outside the village, June 4th for associations and June 8th for inside the village. Motion by Valuet, supported by Hagood, to accept the Revolution Waste proposal, as presented, at $75.00 per compacted yard, carried.

Training Requests: Motion by Murray, supported by Hagood to approve training for April 8th and June 17th for Michelle Valuet, carried. Motion by Murray, supported by Valuet, to approve Ed Niepoth to attend training April 8, 2026, carried.

Storage Room Discussion: Proposal to divide storage room, in hall, by constructing a wall with a lockable door. Supervisor to complete the construction. Motion by Hagood, supported by Murray, to set budget of $1,000 to put wall and door in storage room, carried.

Road Fund Millage: Board reviewed Resolution to Approve Ballot Language for Extra-Voted Millage. Motion by Valuet, supported by Comben, to approve Resolution 04-06-2026, as presented, carried. Roll Call: Yes: Comben, Hagood, Valuet, Murray and Niepoth. No: None.

Assessor Policy: Reviewed Assessor Accessibility policy. Recommendation that "at bsaonline.com or" be deleted from paragraph (iv). Motion by Valuet, supported by Comben, to adopt the Assessor Policy with the change discussed, carried.

Anavon Camera Proposal: Two proposals presented, one to upgrade camera on ballot box and second proposal addressing the remaining cameras on the outside of the building. Motion by Murray, supported by Comben, to accept Estimate 1498 to upgrade all cameras, carried.

Public Comment: Fashion show on April 19th to raise funds for Friends of Richardi Park.

County Commissioner VanAlstine updated the Board on county business.

Officer Reports:

Clerk: Planning Commission member training reimbursement; Nuisance Ordinance Complaint resolved; two (2) FOIA's received; Minute Book quote; recommended separate mi.gov email for Planning Commission Secretary; Anavon quotes for IT services; SAM.gov renewal; and ARPA closeout report filed.

Trustee Comben: Reminded Board of its prior decision to transition to mi.gov email.

Motion by Valuet, supported by Comben, to adjourn meeting at 8:15 p.m., carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Michelle D. Valuet, Clerk