

Columbia Township Meeting Minutes
Columbia Township Library
Community Meeting Room
March 15, 2022

Clerk called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Board Members Present: Christine Kolar, Kathy Trischler, Dara Hood, Christina Parmenter, Chris Creguer

Absent:

Others Present: Jennifer Amormino (lib director)

Motion by Hood, 2nd by Creguer to approve Minutes of February 15, 2022 as presented.

Ayes: 5 Nays: None Motion carried

BUDGET HEARING

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Creguer to suspend the regular meeting in order to conduct the Budget Hearing for the 2022-2023 budget. Ayes: 5 Nays: None Motion carried.

The Budget Hearing commenced at 9:10 am

Board members present: Trischler, Kolar, Hood, Parmenter, Creguer

No public comment

After finalization of the budget, Motion by Parmenter, 2nd by Creguer to close the budget hearing and resume the regular session. Ayes: 5 Nays: None Motion carried

2022/23 BUDGET APPROVAL

Motion by Creguer, 2nd by Hood to accept the budget as determined for the 2022-2023 budget year as presented.

Roll Call Ayes: Trischler, Parmenter, Hood, Creguer, Kolar Nays: None. Motion carried.

DRAINS

A resolution was offered by Kolar, 2nd by Trischler that the Tuscola County Drain Commissioner is authorized to expend money for the maintenance and repair of the Anti-Mason Drain in excess of Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) per mile or fraction thereof and, to the extent that the drain fund for the Drain contains insufficient funds for the payment of costs incurred for the maintenance or repair of the Anti-Mason Drain, then the Tuscola County Drain Commissioner is authorized to levy a special assessment, as allowed by law. Full Resolution 2022-2 attached.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trischler, Kolar, Parmenter, Creguer Nays: None Abstained: Hood Motion Carried.

LIBRARY

- The library was awarded a Library of MI Grant for another MI Notable Authors visit in which we have scheduled Erin Hahn author of "Never Saw You Coming" to kick off our summer reading program.
- Jennifer and Paula received certification in the American Heart Association Basic Life Support Program.
- The Emergency Connectivity Fund request was approved for 5 new hotspots and four months of free subscription for each hotspot.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Motion by Creguer, 2nd by Parmenter to approve the Columbia Township Employee Handbook as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

LAND DIVISION

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Trischler to approve the land division for Dorothy Gremel of 5 acres of property from parent parcel #004-017-000-1400-01, French Rd, Unionville Dorothy Gremel. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire department bills were presented for approval. Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Creguer to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$23,146.81 Ayes: 5 Nays: None. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Monthly bills

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Hood to pay the following bills as presented:

Payroll \$10,892.16 and Accounts Payable \$113,330.42. Ayes: 5 Nays: None Motion carried.

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Creguer to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 am. Ayes: 5 Nays: None Motion carried.

Christine Kolar, Columbia Twp. Clerk

Next regularly scheduled meeting and budget hearing is Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 8:30 AM.