

Minutes of Regular Meeting at Kipling Hall

Brampton Township

February 19, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. The pledge was cited by attendees consisting of all Board members and visitors Pat Young, John Malnar, Brent Desjarlais and Doug Smith.

M/Edwardson S/Elegeert to add item 8a (DSTech invoices) to the agenda. M/C

M/Thull S/Elegeert approving the January meeting minutes as read. M/C

John Malnar spoke of the following items:

- He is a member of the MAC Committee for transportation. There is currently a \$3.9B annual deficit for roads/bridges. There are 7 different options they looked at for helping this deficit. Most of them were opposed except for cutting State funding and services.
- County is pretty quiet
- Airport is now in good standing and no longer in jeopardy of being shut down.

Township Assessor Brent Desjarlais informed the group of calculating land analysis ratios to make sure they are in the percentage amounts needed to please the State. They are preparing the Township for the 2026 PA-116 (AMAR). As part of the AMAR audit, land tables will need to be posted online for public viewing. Brent will be working to get tables cleaned up so they can be viewed more clearly. He will be contacting Brandon at the County to see about putting tables on the County website since Brampton does not have one.

Board of Review organizational meeting will be held March 5th from 10:00 – 10:30am. Public meetings will be March 11th from 3:00 – 9:00 pm. (our Assessors will attend later during this timeframe) and March 12th from 9:00am to 3:00pm (our Assessors will attend for the 6 hours).

Brent noted a lesser amount of resident calls lately.

At the Board's request, Doug Smith, from Penchura attended the meeting. He provided the Board with his knowledge and expertise of playground equipment and fielded questions the board had.

M/Edwardson S/Thull to pay the Delta County Township Association dues invoice of \$153.45. M/C

M/Elegeert S/Edwardson to start paying the DSTech invoices ACH directly from the General checking account. M/C

M/Elegeert S/Thull to approve the amended 2023-2024 budget. M/C

M/Thull S/Elegeert to renew the 24 month CD at Peninsula Federal Credit Union, due March 14th, for another 24 months at a rate of 4.33%. M/C

Fire Chief Young reported:

- 2 call outs – one for man power and water in the City of Escanaba and another for a gas leak.
- Lammi Fire Protection checked fire extinguishers and SCBA tanks at fire hall.
- At the Delta County Chiefs meeting - departments were informed there will be a mandate of 4” stors fittings and 5” dry fittings. This will allow for efficiency when departments provide aid to others. Our department already has the 4” fittings but will need some of the 5”.
- He applied for a Michigan Treasury Grant and working on an AFG grant. No guaranties for the Treasury grant but hopeful funds will come in.
- The department needs helmets and boots for the volunteers.
- A Tim Seger memorial will be held March 16th at the Kipling Hall. This will be a potluck and will start at 3:00pm.

Clerk Edwardsen noted the original order for a Tim Seger memorial plaque was cancelled and presented other options. A 16 x 24 canvas was decided on and will be ordered to hang at the Brampton Fire hall.

M/Elegeert S/Smauley to use the remainder of the ARP funds (\$26,759.00) for the paving project that was completed at the Brampton Fire Hall last summer. M/C

Supervisor Maufort provided the group with information about the Green energy initiative that will appear on the ballot.

Clerk Edwardsen provided a recap of early voting and asked for permission to have the next County Clerks meeting at the Kipling hall on March 7th. Ahern will be coming to inspect the Kipling hall fire extinguisher. All board members running for office were given paperwork to be completed and given to Clerk Edwardsen no later than the March meeting. She will turn it in to the County Clerk.

Treasurer Thull noted receiving the quarterly Charter check of \$2,824.51.

M/Thull S/Smauley to pay the General Fund bills of \$25,795.40 and the Fire Fund bills of \$2,241.41. M/C

M/Elegeert S/Edwardsen to adjourn at 9:05 pm. M/C