

Bethany Township

Minutes for Regular Meeting on March 8, 2022

Present: Fowler, Howd, Mikek

Absent: Devine, Humm

Others: Richard Teeter, Tresha Graham-Mikek, Ahmad Goram (Brooks Elite Contracting), Teresa Hanna (DTE Consultant for Solar)

Meeting was called to order by Mikek at 7:00 pm.

- Howd read minutes for the February 8th meeting. Motion to accept by Fowler, 2nd by Mikek – Motion carried
- Fowler reviewed bills. Motion to pay bills by Howd, 2nd by Mikek – Motion carried
- Ahmad Goram from Brooks Elite Contracting
 - Information proposal to redesign a website
 - Provided some examples for us to review
 - We will discuss with full board next month
- Motion to accept Fire-Rescue Protection Agreement for the 2022-23 fiscal by Fowler, 2nd by Mikek – Motion carried
- Motion to amend the 2021-22 fiscal as presented at budget meeting by Fowler, 2nd Mikek – Motion carried
- Motion to adopt the 2022-23 fiscal budget as presented at the budget meeting – by fowler, 2nd by Mikek, Motion carried
- Motion to approve the annual agreement with GCRC by fowler, 2nd by Mike, motion carried.
- Mikek spoke with DTE attorney called about taxes – they are trying to get it settled soon. Still waiting for something to happen
- ARPA meeting was attended by Fowler and Mikek, What funds can be spent on has been opened up but the reporting has become more complicated
- Teeter – no permits
 - Chris Watson – 7 acres by specific pride - zoned commercial – as long setbacks are established the planning has no issues.
 - Once purchased he will contact Richard with site plan.
- DTE to be submitted application for solar in the near future. She would be a site manager and liaison with the township.
 - Substation is not at capacity.
 - Looking to see about smaller solar farms to put substation at capacity.
 - They have land signed and are reviewing current ordinance. River ridge and someone else.
 - May be submitted in next couple of months.
 - Mikek - Current special use permit has been put on hold until DTE issue was resolved.
 - Application could be submitted, but our fee structure has not been established.
 - Q – IF application is submitted, the special use permit still needs to be approved, yes.
 - Public meeting needed for special use permit
 - Board would need to decide if we move forward
 - Teresa had lots of good things to say about DTE and their involvement in Community.
- Howd – reminder that we have election in May, August, and November

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by Tracy Howd, Clerk