

**KALMAR TOWNSHIP BOARD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2023**

Attendees:

Supervisors: Glenn Quam, James Hanson,

Absent: Jerome Fischer

Clerk/Treasurer: Keith Stanich

Road Contractor: Michael Wood

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

Agenda Approval – On a motion made by Mr. Quam and seconded by Mr. Hanson, the proposed agenda was approved after adding Jeremy Douglas public meeting on the County Road 4 turnback.

Clerk’s Report – August meeting minutes were approved (M/M/S: Mr. Quam / Mr. Hanson).

Treasurer’s Report – Eleven claims submitted for payment (claims 1464 – 1473) totaling \$9,871.84 were reviewed; payment of claims was approved on motion by Mr. Quam and second by Mr. Hanson.

Treasurer reported the bank account balances and suggested a transfer of \$8,500 from checking to money market. Mr. Quam moved to transfer that amount and to approve the report. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion and it was approved. Account balances, after the transfer, as of 10/16/2023, are:

Checking	\$13,045.73
Money Market	\$125,545.67
FSB 12 month CD (7/28/24)	\$150,000.00
FSB 12 month CD (5/1/24)	\$150,000.00
Morgan Stanley CD (5/30/24)	\$250,000.00
Safra Bank CD (7/28/24)	\$204,000.00
Cross River Bank CD (9/27/24)	\$203,000.00
Discover Bank CD (3/27/25)	\$203,000.00
Cash Sweeps Account	\$919.79
TOTAL	\$1,299,510.93

Public Comment – Resident asked about Fiber Optics in Douglas and when it would be available. Resident was inform that this was a program for New Haven Township and Kalmar does not have any plans for fiber optic in the area.

New Business –

Douglas Saloon Liquor License Renewal– Representatives from the Douglas Saloon were on hand to have the Kalmar Township Board renew their liquor license. Supervisors comment that they are happy with how the business is operating. Supervisor Quam made a motion to approve the Liquor License, seconded by Supervisor Hanson. Motion passed 2-0.

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County 4 and County Highway 44 Realignment and Turnback Public Meeting – Jeremy Douglas from Olmsted County held a public meeting to give back a portion of County 4 back to Kalmar Township. Section being turned over to Kalmar Township starts at County Highway 44 and runs for approximately 2,850 ft to the West. Naming of that road was discussed and will be communicated to Olmsted County.

XW II LLC and DTD LLC- Metes and Bounds– Craig Britton from Winseth representing DTD LLC spoke wanting to parcel off a portion of land next to CSAH 44. He also asked about changing language in the special district. Right now the language states that the parcel is non-buildable and they are hoping to amend the special district language to make it buildable. Amend the language is not part of this Metes and Bounds, this is just one step in the process. Supervisor Hanson had some concerns with waiting to make the parcel buildable. Supervisor Hanson feels that what was submitted was not what was presented at the meeting and suggested this be tabled till more information can be gathered on what the applicant wants to do with the property.

Kasten Annexation Agreement- Al Roder from the City of Byron presented the Annexation agreement for the Kasten Property. Supervisor Quam made a motion to approve the annexation agreement, seconded by Supervisor Hanson. Motion passed. Keith Stanich asked when the Township would receive there check, Mr. Roder stated that we should have it by the end of the year.

Kalmar Township Road Mileage Certification-Keith Stanich stated that he received the annual Mileage certification and after review has some questions about 34th Street. Because of construction this year 34th street was closed and the township did not maintain .73 miles of that road. Supervisor Quam made a motion to approve that Township Road Certification, second by Supervisor Hanson.

Fire and 1st Responder Contract Status-Keith Stanich stated that he has been in contact with Cami Reber with the City of Byron on the renewal of the Fire and 1st Responders Contract. She sent over a list of addresses and including 102 new addresses. After review, it was determined that 99 of the 102 addresses were not in Kalmar Township. The contract will be sent out by Dec 1st.

Old Business –

Road Status – Mike Wood reported that the asphalt that the City of Byron dumped on 5th Ave was cleaned up, but he still has some concerns with the dirt being higher than the road where 5th Ave intersects 20th Ave. Jerry was supposed to talk to the City of Byron to address those issue. Mike Wood will call Jerry to ask would that decision was to fix that area.

Reding Property Issues – Jerry to contact GDO Law to start criminal proceedings on the property because after numerous letters being sent the property is still not cleaned up.

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Substation Property Taxes Information- Supervisors had asked the Clerk to contact Olmsted County and figure out why the tax revenue from the Substation property went down so much from 2022 to 2023. Keith Stanich reported that the levi Kalmar Township passed in 2023 was about half of what it was in 2022. That was a big factor in the taxes being lower on that property. Keith Stanich reported that the levi has a direct impact on taxes for that parcel. The levi dropped from 7.2% to 4.6% over the last 5 years.

Shared Road Agreement – Mr. Fischer reported that Salem Township has signed the agreement between the two townships that defines township responsibilities for Frontier Road. Mr. Hanson made a motion to sign the agreement. Mr. Quam seconded. Motion was approved and Mr. Fischer signed the document.

TCPA Meeting Report – Supervisor Quam attended the TCPA Monthly Meeting.

Township Hall Update – Keith Stanich stated that he met with Kara Brown from TLS to discuss options for a remodel of the Township Hall. She will provide a cost and drawings next month.

Miscellaneous Items –

Mr. Quam: None

Mr. Hanson: None

Mr. Stanich: None

Adjournment – Mr. Quam made a motion to adjourn the monthly meeting; Mr. Hanson seconded. Motion approved; meeting ended at 7:48pm.

Approved by the Board,

Attest,

Date: _____

**Approved
Signed Copy on File in
Clerks Office**

Date: _____

Board Chair
For the Kalmar Town Board

Clerk/Treasurer