

Supervisor Tina Papineau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Dryden Township offices

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Roll Call:	Supervisor-Tina Papineau	present
	Clerk- Kimberly Diefenbach	present
	Treasurer- Susan Lowney	present
	Trustee - Carol English	present
	Trustee – Brian Hazen	present

Legal Counsel: Attorney Tim Denney

Public in attendance: Fire Chief Mark Hagemeister, Police Chief Shawn Peters, John & Terri Olterman, Jim Diefenbach, Jeff & Whitney Evans, Justin Evans, Sandy Swientoniowski, Pamela Hagemeister, Norman Smith, Melissa Randazzo, Richard English, O. Herman, Bill Vandawaker, Jim Napolitano, Michael and Tammy Ogg, Justin Potter, Rod Redwood, Dave Hill, David Clements, Keith Theobald, Mike Antushevich, Darrell Schultz, Amy and Calleigh Barger, Devon and Dustin Travis, Ralph and Linda Starke, Kirk and Jennifer Burmann, Mike and Katie Plotzke, Alen Graham, Andrew Belanger, Keith Klobucar, Justin Gay, Katie Rothwell, and Mike and Erica Franz.

Public Comment: Several Firefighters voiced their concern over the state of the Fire Department and its leadership.

Firefighters Belanger, W. Evans, J. Evans, Antushevich, and Theobald stated they will be taking a leave of absence.

Asst. Chief Klobucar resigned from the Fire Department.

Other residents voiced their concerns about the Fire Department.

Agenda:

Motion by Hazen, seconded by Lowney to accept the Agenda with the addition of Compressor Service to Agenda item A. Motion carried.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes:

Moved by English, seconded by Lowney, to approve the Regular meeting minutes of February 14, 2023  
Motion carried.

Payment of Bills: Presented were Vendor and Payroll Summaries for the month of February.

General Fund:	Accounts payable checks No. 46184-46207	\$301,613.02
	Gross payroll	<u>\$16,722.84</u>
	Total GF expenses	\$318,335.86
Fire Fund:	Accounts payable checks No. 3859-3884	\$6,229.65
	Gross payroll	<u>\$4,636.62</u>
	Total Fire expenses	\$10,866.27

Police Fund:	Accounts payable checks No. 4653-4669	\$10,318.20
	Gross Payroll	<u>\$26,663.05</u>
	Total Police Fund expenses	\$36,981.25

Moved by Lowney, seconded by Hazen, to approve the payment of the Accounts payable bills, and payroll as presented. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** A financial Report was presented with the ending balances in the townships various funds as of February 28, 2023. General Fund \$1,882,244.31, Police Fund \$741,651.08, Fire Fund \$769,032.32, T&A \$8,025.00, Current Tax \$180,486.31.

Moved by Diefenbach, seconded by English to accept the Treasurer's Report into the minutes as of February 28, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.

**Elected Official/Department Head Updates:**

**Fire Department Report:** Fire Chief Mark Hagemeister had no report this month.

**Police Department Report:** The police report for the month of February, Chief Peters reported the following,

- Officers responded to a total of 348 calls for service for the month of February.
- Officers conducted a total of 66 traffic stops. Of those traffic stops, 14 citations were issued for traffic violations, 13 traffic crash reports were handled by officers. Of those crashes, 3 were property damage, 8 were involving deer and 2 were personal injury accidents. There were 2 drivers arrested by officers for operating while intoxicated.
- The Police Department encourages all residents to sign up for vacation checks if they go out of town. They currently have 30 homes on their list.
- Officer Greg Betts, our new School Resource Officer has completed the weeklong National Association of School Resource Officers training at the MSP headquarters in Lansing. SRO Betts is now on duty in both the Dryden Community Schools on a full-time basis.
- The Department has submitted a grant application to the 100 Club of Lapeer, Genesee and Shiawassee Co. for the purchase of two X26p Taser units for a price of just over \$3000.00.
- The Police budget looks to be solid going into the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. The department is doing its best to be cost effective where possible, despite major inflation on many of the goods and services required to run a 24/7 police department.

**Unfinished business/new business**

**FD Fit Test Service:** Motion made by Hazen, seconded by Lowney to contract with MES for Fit Test service at a cost of \$975.00. Motion carried.

**Compressor Service:** Motion made by Diefenbach, seconded by English to accept a quote from MES for Compressor service at a cost of \$1,147.11. Motion carried.

**Planning Commission Annual Report:** Motion made by Diefenbach, seconded by Hazen to accept the Planning Commissions Annual Report. Motion carried.

**SRO Budget Amendment:** Motion made by Lowney, seconded by Diefenbach to accept the Budget Amendment for our School Resource Officer. Motion carried.

New Radar Unit: Motion made by Hazen, seconded by English to approve the purchase of a new Radar unit for the Police Dept. at a cost of \$1,710.00 from Kustom Signals, Inc. Motion carried.

Public Time: Residents voiced their opinions on the Fire Department problems. Norm Smith informed us that he attended the Broadband meeting. He learned it would be about 2-3 years before any improvements.

Adjournment: Supervisor Papineau adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

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Tina Papineau  
Dryden Township Supervisor

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Kimberly Diefenbach, CMMC  
Dryden Township Clerk

**Township of Dryden  
4849 Dryden Road  
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**Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 14, 2023**