

Johnstown Township Minutes

13641 South M-37 Highway. Battle Creek, Michigan 49017

Special Board Meeting – March 13, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

Sylvan Court Paving Special Assessment

Special Board Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Barb Earl, Clerk Sheri Babcock, Treasurer Karmen Nickerson, Trustee Deana Powell, Trustee Jeff Warren

Absent: none.

Visitors: none.

Agenda: Motion by Powell to approve the agenda. Seconded by Warren. All ayes. Motion carried.

Due to an error in publication, it was determined that the public hearing could move forward, however, it was not possible to move forward with Resolution #1.

Close Special Board Meeting: Special Board Meeting closed at 6:05 p.m.

Open Public Hearing: Public Hearing opened at 6:05 p.m.

Public Comments: none.

Close Public Hearing: 6:05 p.m.

Reopen Special Board Meeting: Special Board Meeting reopened at 6:05 p.m.

Board Deliberation:

- Clerk Babcock and Treasurer Nickerson relayed information from a meeting held with John Crumb of 55 W. Hickory Rd, Battle Creek, MI 49017. As an active member of the group of residents seeking the paving project, he expressed that his original parcel (09-150-014-00) had been split into two parcels (09-150-014-00 & 09-150-014-01); however, parcel # 09-150-014-01 was omitted from the publication ran on 02/29/24 and 03/07/24 "Notice of Public Hearing for the Sylvan Court Private Road Improvement Special Assessment District #1." His primary residence parcel (09-150-014-00) is accessed via Hickory Rd; while the parcel (09-150-014-01) that was split off is accessed via Sylvan Court.
- A publication error was made due to one property being omitted from the publication. Eleven (11) parcels remain in the District.
- Certification of the Petitions is still outstanding from the Assessor. Nearly 100% of residents signed the petition. A request will be made to the Assessor for the Certificate.
- Next steps: The Board will need to make a decision on parcel 09-150-014-00 to exempt or impose a half (1/2) assessment. Then, we can proceed with Resolution #1 to create the District. After the next public hearing, if deemed appropriate, we can move forward with Resolution #2 to approve the costs.

- **Interest & Term:** Motion by Powell to set the interest rate for 5% with a 5-year Term. Seconded by Warren. All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Warren to adjourn. Seconded by Powell. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

**Next Special Board Meeting RE: Sylvan Court Paving Special Assessment:
April 10, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**

**Attested to by:
Barbara Earl
Supervisor**



Sheri Babcock, Clerk

APPROVED