

Milton Township
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2007

Members present: Bargy, Pharo, Fox, Cole and Atkinson

Also present: Stilson, Weinzapfel, Attorneys Derman and Turkelson, Sgt. Kopkau and Sheriff Terry Johnson, Brian Howard and 11 audience members.

Bargy called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm and the Pledge was recited.

Public Comment:

Bill Barnes of 4301 W. Torch Lake Drive submitted a petition regarding the speed on NW Torch Lake Drive. Bargy received a letter back from the Antrim County Road Commission saying that the Michigan State Police are not doing any speed studies at this time. Glenn Paradis will bring up the issue at the Road Commission meeting tomorrow.

Approval of April 9, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Atkinson, seconded by Cole to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Report

As given by Sheriff Terry Johnson

Update on jail compliance; update on state sentencing guidelines; update on 800 MHz radio system; update on Silent Observer; update on snowmobile patrol; update on Marine Patrol and his thanks for the use of the Miller Road Fire Station for storage; update on 911 sign ordinance; update on cell phone program for elderly or crime victims; update on year end statistics; update on home foreclosures and sales and this is forcing up the domestic violence numbers; update on Sandbar issue.

Additional Report

As given by Sgt. Kopkau

89 calls for April; update on SADD.

Fire Department Report

As given by Brian Howard

8 runs for April; update on area dryness and fire danger; update on new trucks; update on new gear racks; update on five new sets of turnout gear and helmets; update on new firefighters completing training; update on possible Explorer Program; update on Fire Station 2 open house June 3.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Atkinson to approve 5 sets of turnout gear, five helmets and two shut-off valves. Motion carried.

Ambulance Report

As given by Chris Weinzapfel

Weinzapfel thanked the board for the time off to attend EMS Training.
Update on training.

Zoning Report:

As given by Weinzapfel

Update on year end land use permit totals; update on ZBA hearings; update on zoning ordinance and master plan; update on Boat House Storage;

Motion by Atkinson, seconded by Cole to approve zoning amendment 07-02: Amend PUD of Elk Horn Storage renamed Boat House Storage.

Roll call:

Pharo; yea

Cole; yea

Atkins; yea

Bargy; yea

Fox; yea

5-0, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Planning Commission Report

As given by Stilson

Update on Amendment 07-01; update on Amendment 07-02; update on Amendment 07-03; update on private airstrip special use permit; update on approval of Special Use Permit for Creative covers and Trim; update on Ordinance Review subcommittee; update on boat spaces subcommittee.

Attorney's Report:

As given by Derman

Update on road patch at corner of Powell and Campbell Rd; update on Metro Act; update on Sandbar Shop; update on DeFaw Land Division.

Motion by Fox, seconded by Pharo to adopt Resolution #2007-06: to give Bargy the authority to sign Video franchise agreement with VRSH.

Roll Call:

Pharo; yea

Bargy; yea

Atkinson; yea

Fox; yea

Cole; yea

5-0, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report:

Update on Township Clean Up Day; update on recycling; update on remaining blocks from building at park;

Motion by Fox, Seconded by Pharo to use the remaining blocks for a sign for the park.

Motion carried.

Update on pensions.

Motion by Pharo, seconded by Atkinson to approve the Milton Township Simplified Employee Pension Eligibility Policy which states: The participation in Milton Township's Simplified Employee pension will be as follows; for all employees who work a minimum of 20 hrs./week, who are at least 21 years old, and have been employed by the Township for at least one year and earned at least \$600/year. Currently included is the Township Board, including Trustees and the three full time employees; Zoning Administrator, Tax Assessor and Maintenance Manager. Motion carried.

Motion by Pharo, seconded by Cole. to approve the Milton Township Health Benefit Eligibility Statement which states: Milton township will provide 2 person regular coverage to the 3 full time board members: Supervisor, clerk and Treasurer, along with any full time employee with annual wages in excess of \$20,000. Monthly premiums assumed by the Township are limited to \$1,000 per employee. Any premium over the \$1,000 limit is to be paid by the employee as a pre-tax deduction from the employee's paycheck. Motion carried.

Official certificate for passage of road millage is on file.

School Tax Agreement:

Motion to approve the collection of School Tax Agreement by Fox, seconded by Atkinson. Motion carried.

Motion by Pharo to approve the bills as presented. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. to call of the Chair.

These minutes subject to Board approval at June regular meeting.

Merris M. Fox, Clerk