

Milton Township Board
Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2009

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

Also present: Stilson, Weinzapfel, Howard and 11 audience members

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

Public Comment: No one wished to speak

Approval of regular minutes dated October 12, 2009

Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Ball. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Approval of special meeting minutes dated October 12, 2009

Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Atkinson. Seconded by Ball. Motion carried.

Approval of special meeting minutes dated October 26, 2009

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

Update on Tax Tribunal

As given by Amy Jenama

Jenama requested Board approval to move forward with a meeting between both parties, Bargy and herself will be in attendance.

She also stated property taxes are scheduled to go down. Assessed value will also decrease by roughly ten percent.

County Resolution to support fiber optic cable through Antrim County

Ball updated regarding a MTA meeting to lay fiber optic cable in Antrim. Please sign the form if you're interested and forward to Peter Garwood at the Antrim County Coordinator/Planner's Office in Bellaire.

Phragmites Update

As given by Bargy.

Spraying was completed. Derman dropped off a copy of the updated Phragmites ordinance. It will be discussed next month.

Sexton's Salary

Sexton would like to be paid for the Dec. 1st payroll.

Motion to approve the payment by Pharo. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

No questions

Fire Department Report:

As given by Howard

13 runs in October. Update on Halloween Open House, Thank you to everyone for their kind donations. Update on 9952 exhaust system and brake work. Howard requested permission to order Firelite Transport Deluxe Skid Unit FD-09 for \$4900. Howard will do more research to see if one could be built in Michigan by CSI for less. Long time fireman and previous Fire Chief Phil Sarasin has retired from the fire department. Thank you for your many years of service and dedication to our community. Howard requested to bring Ethan Boals on as a new member.

Motion by Pharo, seconded by Ball to add Ethan Boals as a new member.

Ambulance Report

As given by Weinzapfel

31 Runs for October. Thanks to many business and organizations who donated to the Halloween Open House. Update on 911 push for house numbers and tree canopy. Cut trees up about 10 feet.

Zoning Report

As given by Weinzapfel

5 land use permits. Septic on point of sale subcommittee has met and will meet with surrounding townships. Update on Cottage Cove. Update on letter to Erickson Road end access.

Planning Commission Report:

As given by Stilson

Prior meeting was all subcommittee reports. Update on nonconforming lots overlay zone. Update on signs subcommittee. Update on ordinance review subcommittee. Update on shoreline protection subcommittee. Update on home business subcommittee. Point of sale septic inspection subcommittee created. Nov. 10 meeting is all subcommittee reports.

Cole discussed the interview process for the ordinance planner. After scoring the interviews and discussion, and also checking references. Two companies were quite equal. The Planning Commission suggested that the board ask two top candidates to bid the job.

Motion by Pharo, seconded by Atkinson to solicit bids from the top two companies. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report

As given by Bargy

Update on cell tower lease on township property. Bargy stated that AT&T will transfer the township lease to another company for construction.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Ball to approve the lease on the cell tower

Marge Worthington's term on the library board is up and would like to be reappointed to another four-year term.

Motion by Ball, seconded by Bargy to approve Marge Worthington for a four-year term on the library board.

Bargy gave an update on road paving. Bids were requested for Sutter, Hicken and Ericson.

Public Comment:

Jerry Mensing asked regarding the depth of the pavement on Western Road. Bargy said he was unsure of the depth.

Recycling bins were overloaded on Saturday.

Approval of Bills:

Motion to approve the bills as presented by Ball, seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

These minutes will be subject to approval at the December 14, 2009 Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ball, Clerk