

Milton Township
Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2010

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

Also present: Attorney's Derman and Turkelson, Weinzapfel, Sheriff Bean, Howard and 17 audience members.

Bargo called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and the Pledge was recited.

Agenda:

Correct: Remove "Regular Meeting" after Special

Public Comment:

Tom Stillings, candidate running for congress spoke.

Grace Herta asked regarding absentee ballots.

Kathy Peterson spoke. She is running for County Commissioner.

Triston Cole spoke regarding running for the State of Representatives.

Jerry Mensing thanked the police presence that kept the Torch Lake Sandbar under control during the 4th of July festivities.

Dick Powell asked regarding the awarding of a bid on the Township Park. Ball spoke regarding the sealed bid process that was followed.

Police Report:

As given by Sheriff Bean

Last year at this time we were at 128 complaints. This year down to 99. Marine complaints were down for June. Bean gave a brief update on July 4th at the Torch Lake Sandbar. Update on new hires. Update on ORV maps.

Approval of Minutes dated June 14, 2010: Regular Meeting

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

Approval of Minutes for Special Meeting dated June 28, 2010

Motion to approve minutes as presented by Atkinson. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Fire Department Report

As presented by Howard

Six runs for June. The well at Station #2 is struggling to fill the underground storage tank. The system is being overtaxed. They would like to put a line from the pump to the tank. The cost

estimate from Cluff Well Drilling is \$1796.99. Howard will get another bid. Howard submitted copies of job descriptions for officers, for the boards review. He also requested the boards approval along with his recommendation to retain individuals who currently live outside the township, serving on the fire department. Jeremy Ball, Christine Chambers, Ethan Boals, and Adam Grammar. Bargy said Ball may need to be reevaluated after a year being that he is so far away. Cole said with the investment made, they should be kept if they can meet the requirements.

Motion to approve by Pharo, seconded by Atkinson. Motion carried.

Ambulance Report

As given by Weinzapfel

38 runs for June. Update on continuing education. Update on personnel. Update on rigs and station maintenance. Update on scheduling for Harbor Days.

ZBA/Planning Report

As given by Weinzapfel

Update on rewriting of ordinance. Planning Commission meeting has been canceled for tomorrow. Weinzapfel is requesting a new computer; his current computer does not have the capacity to handle the new BS&A software. He would like a limit of \$1,000. ZBA will have no meeting. Joe Barnes and Lorraine Knight submitted a letter regarding an access at SW Torch Lake Drive. This will be kept on file, as it is a private road. Update on DeFauw property.

Motion by Cole to approve a \$1000 limit for a new computer for Weinzapfel. Seconded by Pharo. Motion carried.

No Legal Report as per Derman

Park Walking Path Update by Atkinson:

3/4-mile loop has been started. Should be completed soon. Stop in and see. The completed project will be 2 miles total, with additional funding. Update on possible playground equipment.

Bargy gave an update on roads and paving with tar and chip, which could be 2/3rds cost of asphalt.

Winters Road End Access. Apparently people are driving down onto the beach. There was a big rainfall that washed away part of the beach. Heidi Lang suggested re-grading it to prevent washout and to add some big rocks to keep people from driving down there. The bid came to \$850.00, which may be split with Elk Rapids.

Motion by Atkinson to approve work at the road end access at Winter's Road, seconded by Pharo. Motion carried.

Update on Pickle Ball court. Bargy noted that no one has attempted to use the current court provided by the township two years ago over on the basketball court.

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

Public Comment:

Keith Termaat asked regarding a place to put brush. Termaat said every township has to have a place to deposit brush. Bargy said he wasn't aware of this. Ball said she would look into this.

Jerry Mesing asked regarding paving Hickin Road.

Ron Dork resigned from Board of Review. Don Haller is being recommended by Bargy for appointment. Motion by Cole. Seconded by Pharo. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 8:05 pm.

These minutes are subject to board approval at the August 9, 2010 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ball, Clerk