

Milton Township
Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2011

Members present: Cole, Bargy, S. Ball, and Pharo

Members absent: Atkinson, excused

Also present: Attorneys Derman and Turkelson, Jeremy Ball, Stilson, Sheriff Bean and five audience members.

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

Approval of Agenda
Agenda approved by consent

Approval of meeting minutes dated July 11, 2011
Motion to approve the minutes as presented by S. Ball. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Approval of special meeting minutes dated August 3, 2011
Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Pharo. Seconded by S. Ball. Motion carried.

Public Comment
Keith Termaat spoke about the necessity for a special meeting.

Bargy said Phragmites inspection is coming up and we need volunteers. Update on contracting with Elk Rapids and Torch Lake for better-cost savings for fall spraying.

Discussion on eligibility in becoming a charter township and why the board decided to maintain the status of a general law township.

Sheriff's Report
As presented by Bean
Bean discussed Torch Fest 2011 (Sandbar on July 4th). Undersheriff Dean Pratt discussed the logistics of how the operation took place between agencies. Pratt thanked the local business owners for their cooperation. Bean also discussed the other complaint numbers for the month as well. Update on dispatch.

Fire Department Report
As presented by Jeremy Ball
19 calls for service for July. 69 calls for the year up to July. Update, on Chief Howard. He has found a bone marrow match. He's doing well. Donation for \$615 from Mancelona Fire Department for his care. ISO Final test is August 9, 2011. Update on the following. Radio improvements, Medical policy enactment, Equipment issues, Old equipment sale, Harbor Days staffing.

Planning Commission Report

As presented by Stilson

Update on the following: July 12, 2011 meeting, Wilderness Bay Lodge, Ordinance Subcommittee Review, Septic ordinance subcommittee. All three issues are still on the agenda for tomorrow's meeting.

Ambulance Report

As presented by Weinzapfel

Update on CPR classes.

Zoning Report

As presented by Weinzapfel

5 permits for the month. Update on the following: GT Band, Wilderness Bay Lodge, Rental's on Torch Lake drive, DeFaw property, boat launch work and required a permit.

Attorney's Report

As presented by Derman

Update on the following: Sheriff's report, GT Band, road paving, Cottage Cove, new zoning ordinance, Antrim County Recycling. Tax tribunal matters.

Supervisor's Report

As presented by Bargy

Bargy discussed the parking issues at the Torch River bridge area. Sgt. Kopkau recommended no parking from the motel to Torch River Road. Cherry Ave., from Torch River road west 200 yards to the motel entrance. Motion by Cole. Seconded by Pharo. Motion carried.

Bargy noted that the lumber should be coming in for the picnic tables.

Thank you plaque and picture presented to the township from the Elk Rapids Girls Soccer 2011 district champs for providing local soccer fields.

Public Comment

Jerry Mensing asked regarding the radio communication and request for tower space. Ball said he would work on that after the ISO certification.

Approval of Bills

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

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 7:54 pm.

These minutes are subject to approval at the September 12, 2011 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ball, Clerk