

Milton Township
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2016

Members present: Supervisor Bargy, Clerk S. Ball, Treasurer Atkinson, Trustee Cole and Trustee Pharo.

Also present: Attorney Derman, Weinzapfel, Chief Ball, Stilson and 6 audience members

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

Agenda Approval

Agenda approved by consent

Approval of meeting minutes of minutes dated April 11, 2016

Corrections to minutes:

Under Supervisor's Report: Bargy discussed language in the DNR grant for Maplehurst regarding their objection to language. It must be changed in order **for the grant application** to be accepted.

Discussion of Maplehurst purchase, Cole said his intent was that the township **could** provide a second survey, rather than **would**. Subsequent remarks make a second survey unnecessary.

In that same paragraph, correction ~~Brian~~ **Matt** McDonough of the ~~GT Conservancy~~, Grand **Traverse Regional Land Conservancy**.

Change to read: Atkinson said she listed on the grant application 40k based on our current park budget, but our current park is highly groomed. So I expect this number to be adjusted down.

Change to read: In good faith, the board ~~will~~ **could** provide a second survey. Matt reported on the survey as being a strong one.

Motion to approve as corrected by Cole. Seconded by Atkinson. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

No one wished to speak.

Sheriff's Report

Sheriff wasn't at the meeting

Fire Department Report

As presented by Chief Ball

8 calls for the month of April. We are on track with calls from last year. Collected \$729

for MDA during Clean-up Day. Thank you for the support from the community. Working on revising SOPs. Several committees are working on various projects. Updates on trainings.

Zoning Report

As presented by Weinzapfel

There will not be a ZBA meeting. Road end access update.

Planning Commission Update

As presented by Stilson

There will be a public hearing next month for the Waterfire Winery tasting room on Sutter Road. There will also be a subcommittee report on storm water and the 25 foot protection strip. The ZBA will have a report regarding the complete ordinance and map. Bill Hefferan will discuss the idea of a fireworks ordinance. There will also be a Bylaws subcommittee report and then set the agenda for next month.

Ambulance Report

No report presented

Attorney's Report

As presented by Derman

Sheriff's report 92 calls in the township. The largest was traffic stops and personal injury accidents. Update on parklands: copy of the Maplehurst Natural Area Project Agreement was provided to board members. Derman discussed the details of the agreement. Update on Cottage Cove. The county wide recycling proposal will be on ballot in August at .25 mills for four years. Update on fireworks, as per planning commission. Update on Campbell Road End Access. Legislation update; Township officials can continue to provide factual information to their residents about local ballot proposals.

Mr. Shreve, from of Cottage Cove inquired about other association escrow funds. He asked how many times one of these associations drew on these escrow funds. Derman said never in Milton, but it was recently done in Whitewater Township. His point is that the cost to replace the field shouldn't be increased, they maintain their field.

Supervisor's Report

As presented by Bargy

Maplehurst Project Agreement: Cole asked about where the funding for demolition is listed. Derman pointed it out. Pharo asked regarding #4, and the improvements.

Discussion on the improvements.

Motion to approve the Maplehurst Natural Area Project Agreement by Atkinson.

Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

We got two bids for touching up on the paint on the interior where it was damaged by water. One bid is from 4 Season Painting for \$945 and Detail Painting \$1080. Discussion. Motion to approve 4 Season Painting for \$945 by Pharo. Seconded by Cole. Motion

carried. Bargy abstained.

We also got bids for putting new steps from the lower parking area to the upper parking area. We got two bids, one from James Bargy for \$2700 + \$1485 and one from Billie Russell for \$2700. Cole recommended we go ahead with Billie Russell Construction. Motion by Cole. Seconded by Atkinson. Motion carried. Bargy abstained.

Cole suggested that anything that would be substantial enough should be posted for bids in the Elk Rapids paper. Derman suggested if a family member applies for the job, get several bids.

Chris said the slides on the park toys are in really bad shape. He suggests that while they are doing repairs, they just take those off and board those areas off.

Estimate from Norther Tree to finish taking down dead trees in the park for \$1225. No other bids were received. Motion to approve by Cole. Seconded by Atkinson. Motion carried.

Atkinson said it's been her desire to have month end comparisons and budget estimates. It's a useful tool to have. Does the board have that expectation? Pharo said yes. He would like to see that. Cole asked if we can establish a date so we can review them ahead of time. I think we need to change some procedures and stagger our payables so we aren't doing everything all at the end of the month. S. Ball and Atkinson will work to revise their process.

Bargy said an owner from Florand Cottages would like signs posted for private parking. People wanting to use our new park are using their private parking. Atkinson asked that complaints about the parks be emailed to the Parks and Rec., committee.

Stilson said the recycling area is a mess. People are leaving all kinds of things there. Discussion about cameras. Weinzapfel will follow up with Jeff Granger.

Public Comment

No public comment

Approval of Bills

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

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 8:20 pm.

These minutes are subject to board approval at the June 13, 2016 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ball, Clerk