

SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, June 4, 2014, 6:00p.m.

3461 Blue Star Highway, Saugatuck, MI 49453

MINUTES

Supervisor Wester called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Supervisor Bill Wester, Clerk Brad Rudich, Treasure Lori Babinski, Trustee Jonathan Phillips and Trustee Roy Mcllwaine

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Township Manager Aaron Sheridan

Public Comments

Wester opened to public comment.

Jim Walters running for state senate in this district. Introduced himself, from Michigan, graduated from University of Michigan and also provided his professional history & what he is running on.

Jon Helmrich – MI Place Initiative training is going well, 3 sessions completed w/over 50 people attending (average 30-35 ppl per session). Great participation and he is happy with turnout.

Bob Geneski – gave a legislative update from Lansing.

Approval of Agenda (additions, deletions, removal of items from consent)

South Maple Street Improvements and repair under New Business-G

Rudich moves to accept agenda as amended, Mcllwaine seconds. Motion passes unanimously 5-0.

Consent Agenda

- A. Accounts Payable Invoice Register
 - i. Allegan County Clerk through Standard Insurance
Total to paid \$11,844.23
 - ii. Checks issued to be post-audited (check register attached)
- B. Bills by Fund – see Invoice Register
- C. Payroll (check register attached)
- D. 2013-2014 3rd Quarter Financial Reports
 - i. May 7, 2014 Regular Meeting

Wester moves to approve the consent agenda as presented. Phillips second. Motion passes unanimously 5-0.

Correspondence

- A. None

Public Hearing for Truth-in-Taxation & Budget Review

- A. Adopt 2014-2015 Budget

Workshop was last week; Sheridan has made changes per the memo. Wester opened up meeting to public and board with any questions/concerns. None at this time.

Wester wanted to know if the per diem for trustee's can be raised. Wester proposed they get paid \$50 per meeting. Wester proposes the trustee's per diem raise to \$50 plus expenses. Babinski supports. All of the board agrees.

Rudich motions to keep treasurer, clerk and supervisor at same salary, while increasing the per diem to \$50 for trustees. Roll Call: Babinski- yes, Wester-yes, Rudich-yes, Phillips-yes, Mcllwaine-yes

Wester also asked to let the record show they need to put something in the budget to increase Sheridan's salary.

Mcllwaine asked that Helmrich be compensated for his time serving as the Harbor Authority Liaison.

Wester suggested both the Parks representative and Harbor Authority liaison get paid \$35 per diem. Rudich supports.

Wester moves that #18 Harbor Authority Liaisons and #19 Parks representative each receive \$35 per meeting. Roll Call: Babinski- yes, Wester-yes, Rudich-yes, Phillips-yes, Mcllwaine-yes

Rudich moves they adopt the 2014-2015 budgets as presented with the minor amendments with Parks & Harbor Authority per diem. Roll Call: Babinski- yes, Wester-yes, Rudich-yes, Phillips-yes, Mcllwaine-yes

Unfinished Business

A. Zoning Administrator Job Update

(6) Interviews in the last week, (3) of which were very qualified candidates. The committee is currently calling references and then they will decide within the next week who is the next zoning administrative planner.

Rudich motions to give Sheridan the authority to hire the new zoning administrator. Phillips supports. Motion passes unanimously 5-0

New Business

A. Al-Van Humane Society, Glenn Sperry

Tabled, Glenn is absent.

B. Road Construction Approval

Wester motions to accept the road construction approval. Motion passes unanimously 5-0.

C. Mineral Rights Information

Larry Dickie wrote this, Mcllwaine re-worked it a bit with the assistance of a few others. This is something that would be available in the office and online to communicate to tax payers/residents in the case they had questions/concerns on their mineral rights. Wester said we should probably get legal approval prior to posting. Sheridan suggested putting it in from of Sherri Vatzner (Cooley Law School). Wester suggested this is tabled until legal can review. Phillips second. Motion passes unanimously 5-0.

D. Re-appoint K.L.S.W.A representative

Sheridan is the current representative. Mcllwaine motions to re-appoint Sheridan as KLSWA representative. Wester supports. Motion passes unanimously 5-0.

E. Resolution to Approve the Submission of the Application for the DNR Trust Fund

Mcllwaine motions that the board approves the submission of an application title blue star trail phase 3 to the DNR . Wester supports. Roll Call: Babinski- yes, Wester-yes, Rudich-yes, Phillips-yes, Mcllwaine-yes

F. Single Hauler Trash Pickup Discussion

Wester mentioned we have had this once before, in fairness to general public, this should be noticed so they are aware of it. Mcllwaine said he is not requesting this necessarily be discussed tonight, but this would be a

good time to mention this is a good time to re-up this issue. Wester would like to put this in the papers and notice the public and discussed next month. Sheridan will take care of posting.

G. South Maple Street Improvements and Repair

This is an add-on to the cost sharing agreement.

Committee Reports

A. Planning Commission

Had a public hearing reverting back to R-2 & R-3B with some changes from the R-4, most notably would be the Tallmadge Woods to R3-B instead of R-2 for a bit more protection in the future.

B. Road Commission – no report

C. Interurban

Approved the new mileage

D. Fire Board

Incident calls are up, and Janik said it's mostly incident not fire calls. Board says budget is in good shape and should be approved at next meeting for the upcoming fiscal year. Fire Dept. has an agreement that Chief Janik can make purchases under \$5000 without board approval. Buying a 15ft inflatable boat for a little over \$14,000, and sold the two Jet Ski boats for about \$8000. This boat is specifically designed for rescue work.

E. Ambulance Committee – Not met since last time, no new news

F. Harbor Authority Liaison

The new buoys are almost all in place.

Rudich requested a public hearing/notice be posted on the position the board should take in regards to the harbor. Board asked Helmrich to talk with Bob about coming to the next meeting. This will be placed on the agenda.

G. Supervisor's Report / Manager Report – no report

H. County Commissioner Dean Kapinga – no report

Public Comments

Wester opened to public comment.

Gerrick – Wanted to know if board has heard anything about Gun Club getting permits, and Rudich said they have withdrawn their application. The burn was not approved. And in regards to single trash, what would happen with our recycling? He is concerned the recycling is put in the trash and not being recycled.

He does not want to be governed by a Harbor Commission.

The July meeting has been moved to July 9th.

Adjourn

Wester stated after having no further business to come before the board we stand adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25p

Elizabeth "Birdie" Holley, Recording Secretary