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BOIS BLANC TOWNSHIP
Special Meeting
Aug 14, 2019
Bois Blanc Township Hall

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Township Supervisor, Brent Sharpe

Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were: Anne Kennedy, Diane Akright, Tom Wybranowski, L Sullivan, and Brent Sharpe.

Agenda was reviewed and approved with additions.

Minutes for the general meeting 7/24 and special meeting 8/3 were previously submitted to board members for review. Motion was made by T Wybranowski, 2nd by L Sullivan to approve the minutes as submitted. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, T Wybranowski, D Akright, L Sullivan
Nays: none **Motion 2019-085 carried.**

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report was read.

Budget Amendments: Motion was made by L Sullivan, 2nd by T Wybranowski to move \$2033.83 from Marina Contingency to repairs and inland lake repairs as well as increase Marina capital outlay from 10,000 to 20,000 due to higher than expected winter damages/repairs. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, T Wybranowski, D Akright, L Sullivan
Nays: none **Motion 2019-086 carried.**

Motion was made by T Wybranowski, 2nd by L Sullivan to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, T Wybranowski, D Akright, L Sullivan
Nays: none **Motion 2019-087 carried.**

Department Reports:

Fire – No report

Harbor – Graham summarized all repairs done this year and reviewed the new Life Vest lending program. UP Engineering was here to do a Marina inspection. The North Pier is sinking. UP Engineering is to get back with us with an estimate of what actions need to be completed. Graham has asked UP Engineering to look at the Cheboygan River Property. Graham briefly spoke of the last HC meeting and asked about any updates with the Plaunt Contract.

A compromise version with alternate wording of the last contract was received from township attorney and a printed copy was distributed (at this meeting) to township board members A Kennedy, T Wybranowski, L Sullivan and D Akright, with the suggestion that all take it home to review and we would discuss at the next meeting or could call a special if necessary. To this point there had been no communication to/from Plaunt Transportation since the meeting of April 12th and the follow up “meeting summary” e-mailed to Curt on 4/26/19.

Question was raised about the materials being stored between the outhouses at the Marina. It was suggested that this pile might be actually encouraging the snakes we have had issues with this year and if there were to be moved, where should they be moved to. Graham noted that all the materials were

usable and he did not want to get rid of any of it. Maintenance will be alerted to NOT move forward with any plans to move them.

Law – Deputy Joe Bommarito was just here. Brent Sharpe relayed additional information from discussions with Mac County Sheriffs Office

Cemetery – Last (known) burial for the year has been completed. There is still some clean up to be done in the cemetery with the extra soil.

Parks & Recreation- no report

Planning – Will be meeting twice a month now. Looking closely @ property rentals. Report presented from Planning for board members to consider. Just a start of looking into this with the new master plan. Also checking with PlasticPack in Plymouth, MI to discuss a possible recycle program on the island for clear plastic containers.

Transfer Station – Look into camera’s for the transfer station. People leaving trash at the gate and animals are getting into it. Gregg will talk with Tom Lower. Gregg also asked that we create a laminated sign that says, “If you need help, please ask!” Will post in a few places including the gate. It was noted that the dumpster conditions are bad. Many are in need of replacement or repair. We were asked by the P/U driver as well as to why we don’t go to “front load” dumpsters. Gregg will try to set up a meeting w/heads of GFL regarding dumpsters/service etc.

Zoning – Questions was brought up as to if we have an ordinance or need an ordinance regarding “no wake” on inland lakes. Brent believes there is already something in place from years back implementing a 6 hp restriction.

Maintenance- no report

Clinic Committee – Health Fair earlier today was well attended. Health Committee would like to put up a small information board outside the Wagner Room. What we place and where needs to take into consideration the need to plow and the snow load coming off the roof.

Old Business:

- MDOT Ferry Boat Grant Funds – update: MCRC meeting went well. They have additional questions as do we regarding who actually becomes the “owner/controller” of the Grant Funds and whatever those funds are used for. Discussion. Suggestion was made that we contact Arcadia Township and Manistee County. They had a similar situation and were able to settle all issues with a “lifetime” lease to the township that MDOT approved.
- PIE&G building request – update: Investigation confirmed that there is in fact more than enough township owned property over by the airport to entertain the venture of a PIE&G building there. Next step will be for Brent to meet with PIE& G to discuss further.
- DFF – West End Property: 2nd Addendum to the original contract was distributed to all members as well as our “final resolution” to abandon the section of county road. Motion was made by A Kennedy, 2nd by T Wybranowski to accept the 2nd addendum to the contract. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, T Wybranowski, D Akright, L Sullivan Nays: none **Motion 2019-088 carried.**

Motion was made by Brent Sharpe, 2nd by L Sullivan to approve the final resolution to abandon and discontinue a portion of county road including right of way and easement at the West End of Bois Blanc Island. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, T Wybranowski, D Akright, L Sullivan
Nays: none **Motion 2019-089 carried.**

Preliminary closing papers were distributed to board members for review. We are estimating closing to be around 8/23 – before the end of the month at least.

- Law Apartment Project: LMAS site evaluation is complete and a normal septic system has been approved. D Akright will distribute this information to the two individuals that have gotten information to bid. Brent has not been able to get a final from the inspector as to Electrical needing to be residential or commercial. Discussion . We will currently leave bid deadlines at 8/21 as posted.

Public Comment: Public asked if the township had been approached by any organization regarding Line 5. There was discussion about utilizing the township in some way to communicate with/educate people about line 5. Suggestion was made to contact the BBICF or BBI Assoc. as good outreach sources. If a short educational article was submitted to the board it might possibly be incorporated into the next newsletter.

New Business:

Prein & Newhof Invoice 50851 (7/22) and 50324 (6/19) were presented for approval along with the current Construction Progress Report. Motion was made by D Akright, 2nd by T Wybranowski to approve both for MDOT payment. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, T Wybranowski, D Akright, L Sullivan

Nays: none **Motion 2019-090 carried.**

There being no further business the board adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane M Akright
Bois Blanc Township Clerk