

## **BOIS BLANC TOWNSHIP**

**Regular Meeting**

**August 26, 2020**

**Bois Blanc Township Hall via Teleconference due to Covid-19**

**Precautions under Executive Order 2020-75**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Supervisor Brent Sharpe.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members present: Anne Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, Diane Akright, Louise Sullivan, & Tom Wybranowski.

Treasurer's report was read by Anne Kennedy.

Budget Amendments: Increase to 2019 Airport Capitol Improvement to reflect the actual cost of the SRE building paid out by State and Federal grants. Motion was made by T Wybranowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Sullivan to increase 295-900-970-000 (Capitol Outlay) from \$366,500 to \$432,966.14. Roll call vote: Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, L Sullivan, B Sharpe, T Wybranowski and D Akright Nays: none  
**Motion 2020-091 carried.**

### **Department Reports:**

**Airport:** No report

**Fire:** nothing new. Rex Lamb presented an e-mail and donation to the Fire Fighters Association collected from residents of the Pines and other locations on the island in the amount of \$1340.00

**Marina:** No report

**Law:** Nothing new. Joe has been working the areas that most people have been complaining about speeders and hopefully it's slowing people down.

**Cemetery:** Nothing new

**Planning:** We are having the next meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of Sept. Will be working on revision 5 of the STR. Will also be meeting with the consultant in Sept. and will have the contract available at that time.

**Transfer Station:** Talked about possible other alternatives for removing trash from the island.

**Zoning:** Per the last meeting, the township clerk contacted MTA for advise on who could fill the place of an interim zoning administrator. None of the Planning Commission or ZBA members can fill the roll. Neither can the Supervisor, but a trustee could serve in that capacity. We currently have

one Zoning permit that needs to be inspected right now. Tom Wybranowski agreed to do the inspection on that permit and make sure that all set backs are met.

**Maintenance:** nothing major to report.

**Health Committee:** Nothing new.

**Parks and Rec:** Nothing new. Have been in contact with Dept of Ag on the grant. No extensions, but we are fine since the finals aren't due until another whole year.

**Old Business:**

Reverted lands: Reviewed and determined that the township will waive any rights to purchase on this years list.

**Public Comment:**

**Francis Urbany:** noted thanks to everyone for the cemetery.

Kathy Brown: 1. When is the township going to purchase and make a park on the East End? The township (Parks & Rec) is aware of the desire to have the ability to boat launch from the East End. To move forward with a project like that is dependent on many things. (Land availability, funding, etc.) An exact date cannot possibly be given, but it will be included in the long term planning. The current projects we have will need to be completed first. Suggestions were made to attend the Planning Commission meetings to make sure it is included in the Master Plan. 2. Questions about why she was not called on last month? Clerk will contact the host website to see if there is something different that should be done to correct some of the technical issues that seem to arising. 3. Additional questions regarding why the ferry ramp is not working? There was discussion, additional information shared.

George Peck: Would like an update on some of the things from the 8/12 meeting regarding the potential floating ramp. Drawings were received today. They will be passed to Plaunt Transportation for review. All additional notes will be forwarded to UPE before constructions is considered. Asked about the engineers rating (weight limitations) of the South ramp? Discussion with Curt was that he didn't want any engineering on that ramp as he doesn't want to run from that ramp. He wants us to focus on making the North Ramp capable of fitting his boat. Further discussions. Re: replacing the timbers. Height difference from N deck to deck of Kristen D is 17". Can we put the timbers back? There were 2 layers before. Possible solution discussed to reinstall with gaps like floor joist and solid around the traffic area. Motion was made by B Sharpe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Sullivan to reinstall the timbers with a revised configuration. Discussion. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, L Sullivan, B Sharpe, T Wybranowski and D Akright Nays: none **Motion 2020-092 carried.**

Ryan McLaren: Are there any schedule in place for installing the new bumpers? Don't believe the Harbor Commission has even met since they were delivered. Brent will speak with Larry. Are there any plans for the West side of the Parking lot where it has been washed out. Contract is signed with Robiadek & Sons for rip-rap as soon as we can get it hauled over here.

There was some further discussion on the Marina in general.

Additional Public Comment at end: Cindy Riker reported that there will be 5 students and they will be wearing masks.

**New Business:**

- Fire Dept request to sell 2 vehicles via sealed bids. Motion was made by D Akright, 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Sullivan to post for sale via sealed bids the old rescue vehicle and the old pumper. Roll call vote: Ayes: A Kennedy, L Sullivan, B Sharpe, T Wybranowski and D Akright Nays: none **Motion 2020-093 carried.**
- Updated Press Release regarding N Ferry Ramp: Suggested outline is distributed to the board to get input. A final version will be put together, to include the information regarding the agreement from tonight to put on the reconfigured decking, and will be made available to the public.
- School requests:
  - a) Can they utilize the wagner room for PE? Motion was made by D Akright, 2<sup>nd</sup> by L Sullivan to allow the use of the Wagner Room for PE. with any cleaning hours necessary being billed directly to the School. b) School trash: In the past the township has always just absorbed the trash. In the spring we did an allotment to the school of the same 10 free bags as any property owner. Suggestion was made that the community donate any unused bags to the school. (or a drop box for purchased bags for the school.) c) Request to utilize Jim Gilligan (as our maintenance person) to be utilized as the school maintenance person as well and we bill his hours to the school. Jim needs to pursue this with the board. Concerns about over extending him.

**Correspondence and Meetings : none**

**Election Board: Motion was made by D Akright, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A Kennedy to appoint Suzette Cooley-Sanborn, Clover Schlund and Lani White as election inspectors for the Nov 3, 2020 election. Roll call vote: Ayes – Anne Kennedy, Brent Sharpe, and Diane Akright Nays: none Motion 2020-094 carried.**

There being no further business the board adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane M Akright  
Bois Blanc Township Clerk