## HAYES TOWNSHIP BOARD of TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES June 5, 2017

The special meeting of the Hayes Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Ron VanZee at 7:03 p.m. at the Hayes Township Hall, 09195 Old US 31 N., Charlevoix.

Board members present were Marlene Golovich, Robin Kraft, Paul Hoadley, Matt Cunningham and Ron VanZee. Audience members signed in were Annie Burnett, Paul Zardus, Jim McMahon, Warren Nugent, Bob Parmelee, Bill Tudor, Jerry Simpson, Marilyn Morehead, Mike Dow, Frank Shepherd, Sara Gay Dammann, Dee Hoaley, Omar Feleciano, Tom Darnton, Bob Jess and Pat Phillips

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Comments were taken on septic waste at Camp Sea-Gull

Supervisor comments. Two holes were discovered with a strong odor of sewer. The holes were filled in with the supervisor's permission. The supervisor contacted a prior health dept. employee, Larry Levengood, who also confirmed the smell. The supervisor also called Bob Crandall and went over the site with him. The township is now waiting for a proposal from Bob Crandall to locate, pump, fill and crush the abandoned septic tanks.

It was suggested that the supervisor contact the health dept. and have them come to the site to search for ground or water contamination. The supervisor will contact them in the morning.

Public comment. Is the material in the septic tanks organic now from sitting there inert for so long?

BOAT LAUNCH & FISHING PIER PRESENTATION – Jim Malewitz gave an overview of the plans for the proposed boat launch and fishing pier at Hayes Township Park Camp Sea-Gull. He has submitted the full plans and bid documents to the Township, DNR Waterways, Great Lakes Fishery Trust and the Land and Conservation Fund for review. The plans call for three rain gardens and those plans will be submitted at a later time. The bid documents have been set up so that items can be removed from the plans without penalty. There will be fall 2017 and spring 2018 construction allowed hoping to receive lower bids for the extended time.

## **Board Comments**

How long will the bids be out? 2-3 weeks

Did you consider a closed pile pier? Yes, it is cost prohibitive. The park is being promoted as a 4 season park including winter activities. Because of the needed bubbler system there will need to be a lot of warning signs.

The Township survey said restrooms were a priority. Did you do a cost analysis on working toilets vs vault toilets? Yes bathrooms with flush toilets and water would cost approximately \$80,000.00 more.

Would the \$80,000.00 be for infrastructure or for a larger building? Both Did you consider a shorter fishing pier? No the goal of the fishing pier was to reach the natural drop off for catching fish.

Public Comment was taken on shoreland protection strip, moving the road back from the shore, elevation issues, vault vs flush toilets, parking lot, rain gardens, DEQ approvals, compost toilets, landscape buffering on property lines, reduction in plan size for launch, maintenance obligations, revenue from boat launch, plan approval, fiduciary responsibility, and Waterways approval.

<u>L&WCF DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURES</u> – The Board will review the documents before the grant contract comes from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

**FOIA COORDINATOR** – Ron gave an overview of the Freedom of Information Act Coordinator. Clerk Golovich has resigned as the FOIA Coordinator stating she does not have time to do the job. State law requires that a Township appoint a FOIA Coordinator.

Public Comment was taken on part time job, paid position, response time and more information on the web page.

Paul Hoadley made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to accept Clerk Golovich's resignation as the FOIA Coordinator. Motion carried.

Paul Hoadley made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to authorize \$15.00 an hour for compensation for the FOIA Coordinator.

Yays: Matt Cunningham, Paul Hoadley, Ron VanZee, Robbin Kraft, Marlene Golovich Nays:

Motion carried.

Paul Hoadley made a motion, supported by Matt Cunningham to appoint Ron VanZee as the FOIA Coordinator for Hayes Township. Motion carried.

Public comment was taken on park overdevelopment, asphalt vs gravel road, lack of donations, plan submitted with acquisition grant, voter results, cost data, beach access, natural gas and internet service.

Paul Hoadley made a motion, supported by Matt Cunningham to adjourn this meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Respectively submitted

Marlene Golovich Hayes Township Clerk

Minutes approved as written July 10, 2017