

**HAYES TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES
March 9, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Hayes Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Ethel Knepp at 7:00 p.m. at the Hayes Township Hall, 09195 Old US 31 N., Charlevoix

Board members present were Marlene Golovich, Robin Kraft, Doug Kuebler Rich Burnett and Ethel Knepp. Audience members were Zoning Administrator Ron VanZee, Shirlene Tripp, George Lasater, Jim McMahon, Scott Parker, David Zipp, Paul Hoadley, and Anne Kantola.

Supervisor Knepp asked to be joined in the Pledge of Allegiance

REVIEWED AGENDA – Added Amend Budget & Board of Review Resolution

PUBLIC COMMENTS UNRELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS – Dave Zipp stated he thought the entrance being moved to the eastern edge of the Camp Sea-Gull property was a priority for safety purposes.

PARK SIGN – Two proposals were received for a park sign at Camp Sea-Gull. Scott Parker and The Wood Shop submitted designs and cost estimates. Doug Kuebler made a motion, supported by Rich Burnett to accept the proposal from The Wood Shop at \$4,985.00.

Yeas: Doug Kuebler, Rich Burnett, Ethel Knepp, Robbin Kraft, Marlene Golovich

Nays:

Motion carried unanimously.

POLICY - Marlene Golovich made a motion, supported Ethel Knepp to table the policy discussion until the April13, 2015 meeting. Motion carried unanimously

CLERK PRESENTS

MINUTES - Robbin Kraft made a motion, supported by Doug Kuebler to approve the February 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

Rich Burnett made a motion, supported by Doug Kuebler to approve the March 5, 2015 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to amend the following line items 101-101-800 General Government (Legislative Services) \$8000.00 increasing the total budgeted amount to \$20,000.00, and decreasing the surplus funds by \$8000.00.

Yays: Rich Burnett, Doug Kuebler, Ethel Knepp, Robbin Kraft, Marlene Golovich

Nays:

Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICES – Robbin Kraft made a motion, supported by Doug Kuebler to approve invoices totaling \$15,294.00.

Yeas: Ethel Knepp, Doug Kuebler, Marlene Golovich, Robbin Kraft, Rich Burnett

Nays:

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - Any correspondence received by the Clerk was provided to the Board Members for their review and comment.

BOARD OF REVIEW RESOLUTION - Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Rich Burnett to adopt the following resolution:

In order to ease the burden on taxpayers, the assessor and the board of review and to ensure that all taxpayers have an equal opportunity to be heard by the board of review, the Township of Hayes hereby resolves, according to provisions of MCL 211.30(7) of the General Property Tax Act, that the board of review shall receive letters of protest regarding assessments from resident taxpayers from the first Tuesday in March until it adjourns from the public hearings for which it meets to hear such protests.

Motion carried unanimously.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – Zoning Administrator, Ron VanZee, presented a written report with an oral overview. Ron also stated he ~~check~~ **checked** on zoning software through BS&A. The cost at this time is approximately \$13,000.00.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE – Marlene Golovich reported that the first meeting of the County Parks & Recreation millage steering committee will be March 12. Marlene stated that she has been appointed to the committee. The local MTA meeting will be held at Hayes Township on March 30, 7:00 p.m. The County will be reporting on the P&R millage and how it will be distributed. The court hearing for Eastern Ave. Beach was canceled due to attorney prior commitments and a new date will be set. The advertisement for the volunteer park host will be put in the Courier, Petoskey News Review, TC Record Eagle and Monster.com. Jim McMahon also sent the park host notice to the DNR to be included in their newsletter. Marlene also reported that she did contact Ferguson and Chamberlain to survey the proposed new road at Camp Sea-Gull. The cost should not exceed \$1500.00 and it is on their schedule for as soon as the snow melts.

REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION – Doug reported that the PC is working on ordinance updates with the help of Mary Campbell from M.C. Planning and Design.

TREASURERS REPORT - Robbin Kraft presented a written report with an oral overview.

SUPERVISORS REPORT – Ethel stated she received a letter from Sue Hobbs of Boyne Valley Township regarding a current change to State law regarding ORVs. The law has been changed to allow MDOT to authorize the operation of ORVs on a highway other than an interstate highway. In the past ORVs could only cross the highway going straight across but now they may be

allowed to travel down a highway for short distances to connect to another local road. According to the letter and Mary Lajko (MDOT) there is a process for each Township to get approval. Sue suggests that because there are public hearings and resolutions needed that the Townships work together on this.

Commissioner Lasater also stated that the Road Commission and the County are working on enacting an ordinance to open all county roads to ORVs. Mr Lasater suggested Hayes Township write a letter of support to the county for this ordinance.

Doug Kuebler made a motion, supported by Rich Burnett to write a letter in support of the County Ordinance to allow ORVs on all county roads. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Golovich will write the letter.

Ethel also stated she would be attending the meeting with the Road Commission and the Tribe on March 11.

TRUSTEE REPORT – Doug ~~report~~ **reported** that the spring bumps have appeared in the roads. Rich Burnett reported that he ~~attend~~ **attended** the local MTA meeting regarding asset management.

ASSESSOR REPORT – Paul reported that Board of Review is now in session.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER GEORGE LASATER – George reported that the there is talk of the state enacting a moratorium on tree cutting from May to November to help protect the long eared bats. It is currently a hot issue and could potentially slow down the building of the non-motorized trail.

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectively submitted

Marlene Golovich
Hayes Township Clerk

Minutes approved as corrected April 13, 2015