

**HAYES TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MINUTES  
April 13, 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, David Zipp, Anne Kantola, Jim Rudolph, Ben Cunningham, Matt Cunningham, Bob Jess and Warren Bogan.

Supervisor Knepp asked to be joined in the Pledge of Allegiance

**REVIEWED AGENDA** – Added Amend Budget Greensky Hill Church, P&R Committee Appointment, Port-a-Potties

**PUBLIC COMMENTS UNRELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS** – Dave Zipp stated there is a large crack in the new portion of Pincherry Road. Ethel stated she had already notified the Road Commission.

Ben Cunningham stated that there is a bad culvert on Brown Road. Ben provided a letter and photos regarding permanent docks Ben stated he was concerned about the direction the Planning Commission was taking on not allowing permanent docks. He installs permanent docks and not allowing them was bad for his business and hurt property values. Ben stated that he will also be addressing the PC on April 21 regarding this issue but wanted to make the BOT aware of his concerns. He stated the dock currently in question has been approved by the DEQ but the Township sent a letter of concern to the Corp of Engineers. The DEQ has regulations regarding width and length of docks. Ben asked why the Township thought it was necessary to regulate them as well. Jim Rudolph stated that he was not aware of the PC writing ordinance changes that banned permanent docks. Ben stated that the proposed changes state that one seasonal dock per 100' of frontage was allowed, that in itself bans permanent docks. Jim stated the PC was still at the discussion stages and this is the best time in the ordinance update process to bring information to the PC. Jim also stated that the PC has been gathering information on this topic from a lot of different places and will consider all the information.

**AMERICAN WASTE CONTRACT** – Ethel Knepp made a motion supported by Doug Kuebler to approve the American Waste Contract for spring clean-up at the rate of \$65.00 per compacted yard.

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

Nays:

Motion carried unanimously.

**CHARLEVOIX COUNTY MILLAGE APPLICATION** – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Township of Hayes has the authority to construct, operate, and maintain the Hayes Township Park, Camp Sea-Gull boat launch; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hayes is requesting a \$10,000.00 appropriation from the Charlevoix ~~Count~~ **County** Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hayes desires to enhance, repair, build or rebuild the Hayes Township Park, Camp Sea-Gull boat launch to meet the needs of users in Charlevoix County;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Hayes Township Board of Trustees that, pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of the Charlevoix County Parks millage, application be made to the Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners for funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Deputy Supervisor of said Hayes Township is hereby authorized and directed to cause the necessary data to be prepared and application to be signed and filed with the County of Charlevoix;

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

Nays:

Resolution Declared Adopted

**GREAT LAKES FISHERIES TRUST** – Clerk Golovich presented documents regarding the proposed fishing pier at Hayes Township Park, Camp Sea-Gull. Performance Engineering prepared the plan and projected costs. The intent is to apply to the Great Lakes Fisheries Trust for the money to build the pier. The grant application is due in August 2015. The P&R Committee will gather information on the need for a fishing pier at this location. The committee also hopes to add the cost of composting toilets to the projected costs.

**VOLUNTEER PARK HOST APPLICATIONS** – Clerk Golovich suggested that a committee be formed of two BOT members and two P&R Committee members to interview the three applicants on site at Camp Sea-Gull. Trustee Doug Kuebler and Deputy Supervisor Anne Kantola will represent the BOT and Bob Jess and Warren Nugent will represent the P&R Committee.

**PARK HOST POLICY** – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to adopt the Park Host Policy with the recommended changes. Motion carried unanimously.

**TOWNSHIP HALL MOWING BIDS** - Marlene Golovich made a motion, supported by Ethel Knepp to post the mowing bid documents at the Township Hall and on the Township web page. Motion carried unanimously.

**EASTERN AVE. BEACH LITIGATION** – The Township was notified by attorney Bryan Graham that a new court date has been set for May 6, 2015 in Grand Rapids for the Easter Ave. Beach litigation. Clerk Golovich stated she would be unable to attend due to the May 5 election.

**MAPLE GROVE ROAD** – Marlene Golovich made a motion, supported by Doug Kuebler to ask the Charlevoix County Road Commission for an estimate to prepare the seasonal portion of Maple Grove Road for snow plowing in the winter. Motion carried unanimously.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PAY** - The following resolution was made by Ethel Knepp, supported by Robbin Kraft

WHEREAS, MCL 41.95 authorizes the township board of Hayes Township to determine the salaries for the offices of supervisor, clerk, treasurer, and trustee for fiscal year 2015/2016 by adopting a resolution at least 30 days prior to the township annual meeting of the electors, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of *supervisor, clerk, treasurer and trustees* is warranted in consideration of the rate of inflation of 1.6% since township board members' salaries were last adjusted, now

BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 1, 2015, the salary of the office of *supervisor, clerk, treasurer and trustees* shall be as follows:

<b>Supervisor:</b>	\$9,148.00 salary
<b>Clerk:</b>	\$18,286.00 salary
<b>Treasurer:</b>	\$15,787.00 salary
	\$2,499.00 summer salary
<b>Trustee:</b>	\$2,251.00 salary each

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the annual meeting to be held on June 8, 2015, at which time the electors may modify these amounts. Pursuant to MCL 41.95(7), such modification(s) that may be made by the electors cannot result in a reduction of salary during an official's term of office unless the responsibilities and requirements of that office are diminished, and the official agrees in writing to that reduction. In the event that the electors fail to act on this resolution, the officer shall be entitled to the salary as established in this resolution, in accordance with state law.

Yays: Marlene Golovich, Robbin Kraft, Ethel Knepp, Rich Burnett, Doug Kuebler  
Nays:  
Resolution declared adopted.

**BUDGET WORK MEETING** – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to hold the budget work meeting immediately following the regular Board meeting on May 11, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

**ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING** – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to hold the Budget Hearing on June 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with the Annual Meeting of the Electorate immediately following and the Regular Board Meeting immediately following the Electorate meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE** – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to appoint Michelle Biddick to the Park and Recreation Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

**GREENSKY CHURCH** – Marlene Golovich made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to authorize Greensky Church to apply for grant funds via Hayes Township from the Tribe 2% grant funding. Motion carried unanimously.

**PORT –A-POTTIES** – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to order two rented port-a-potties for Camp Sea-Gull beginning May 1, 2015.

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

Nays:

Motion carried unanimously.

### **CLERK PRESENTS**

**MINUTES** – Rich Burnett made a motion, supported by Doug Kuebler to approve the March 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT** – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to amend the following line items 101-101-910 General Government ( Publication/Printing) \$1215.00 increasing the total budgeted amount to \$3715.00, and decreasing the surplus funds by \$1215.00 and 101-655-703 Health & Welfare (Maintenance Pay) \$1000.00 increasing the total budgeted amount to \$3100.00, and decreasing 101-265-930 Township Hall (Maintenance) funds by \$1000.00

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

Nays:

Motion carried unanimously.

**INVOICES** – Robbin Kraft made a motion, supported by Ethel Knepp to approve invoices totaling \$28,725.76.

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. Clerk Golovich stated that there will be a workshop on the new FOIA laws held on May 19. She would like to attend but has a conflict with a Planning Commission meeting. She will ask the PC if their meeting could be moved.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT** – Zoning Administrator, Ron VanZee, presented a written report with an oral overview.

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE** – Marlene Golovich reported that the volunteer days for clean-up at Camp Sea-Gull are May 9 and May 30. A light lunch will be served.

The P&R Committee want to paint the host house and are seeking donations of paint but if they are not successful with the Boards permission will need to purchase the paint. Board consensus is to purchase the paint materials needed to paint the interior of the host house.

The P&R committee is suggesting that an auction be held early August to sell items no longer needed at CSG. The Board Consensus is to move forward with the auction.

**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 her and clerk Golovich met with the tribe representative and the Road Commission to discuss road repairs to Murray Road and Upper Bay Shore. They also reported the crack in the newly paved section of Pincherry Rd. It is apparent from the size of the crack it needs more than a hot pour application to fix it.

**TRUSTEE REPORT** – Rich stated that the MTA meeting held at Hayes Township had a good turnout. The topic was a discussion about the County wide recreation millage and how it would be shared. A Consumers Energy rep was also at the meeting to discuss the replacement of all Consumers electric meters.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER GEORGE LASATER** – George reported that there does not seem to be much support for the ballot proposal to raise the sales tax. Jim Rudolph stated that this proposal alters the constitution and if it turns out to not be a good thing it will be hard to change it.

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectively submitted

Marlene Golovich  
Hayes Township Clerk

Minutes approved as corrected May 11, 2015.