

**HAYES TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES
October 12, 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, Paul Hoadley, Robin Kraft, Jim Rudolph and Ethel Knepp. Audience members were Ron VanZee, Jim McMahan, Sharon Bagby, Bob Jess, Jerry Simpson, Warren Nugent, Annie Kantola, Linda Balderson, Andy Balderson, and George Lasiter.

Supervisor Knepp asked to be joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEWED AGENDA – Added: Amend Budget, Letter to Cole and Schmidt

PUBLIC COMMENTS UNRELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS - None

SNOW PLOWING CONTRACT – B&G Enterprises submitted a snow plowing bid for the 2015/16 season. There was not an increase in price from the previous season and they do a good job. Jim Rudolph made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to accept the snowplowing bid from B&G Enterprises.

Yays: Jim Rudolph, Paul Hoadley, Ethel Knepp, Robbin Kraft, Marlene Golovich
Nays:
Motion carried.

CSG PARK PRIORITIES – A list of current park priorities was presented for review (see attached). Ethel Knepp stated that trail head needed to be added to the list. Clerk Golovich stated that the trail head could be years down the road. Paul Hoadley stated that he thought the board should encourage the P&R Committee to make their own list of priorities. He stated we do not want the P&R Committee to be afraid to say what is on their mind. Ethel stated that the Board does not want to shove this down the committee's throat. Clerk Golovich stated that the priorities list was never intended for that but to help the committee understand where the Boards priorities are regarding the park development. The board cannot move forward with development projects without the necessary funding. Currently the Township has made a large financial commitment to developing a boat launch.

Without additional grants and fund raising efforts it will be difficult to complete any other projects. Paul stated that if the Township does not get the grant for the boat launch we will need to rethink our plans. He added that the infrastructure is a burden on the Township and that all the structures will cost money to maintain. The Board consensus is that the priorities are in line and will change without the needed grant money. Paul wanted to stress that the list is not intended to stifle ideas but rather to make the Committee aware that because of past decisions that the Board has committed too there is a timeline that needs to be met. Paul Hoadley made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to approve the priorities list and pass it along to the P & R Committee stressing that this list consists of the current priorities and is subject to change. Motion carried unanimously.

BOB JESS CONTRACT – Bob Jess presented completed drawings for eight of the eleven cabins the township hopes to keep for rental purposes. Bob stated that he would like to meet with the cabin work group one more time to go over the design plans. Jerry, Warren, Paul and Jim stated they would be happy to meet with Bob again. Bob also agreed that he would have all the drawings done by the November 4 P&R Committee meeting. Bob stated that he has a building contractor he is working with that will give him ball park estimates of the work that each cabin needs so that the Township will have a better idea the amount of financial commitment is needed. Bob will be providing the drawings on large format paper as well as digital files that can be reproduced by the Township. Ethel stated that the Board would appreciate the information prior to the November 9 meeting so they have time to review the drawings and information. Ethel also stated that we need to keep the design simple but safe.

PARK SIGNS - Supervisor Knepp stated she received a request from Bob Jess regarding the old signs at Camp Sea-Gull. A client of Bobs offered to buy one of the signs. Ethel stated that the township has had multiple offers for the signs and the board has decided to keep the signs and put them in the proposed future museum. Bob also stated in his request the signs could be duplicated for \$50.00 and Ethel asked Bob if he wanted the job of doing that for the township. Jerry Simpson stated that he could duplicate the signs for approximately \$125.00 each. Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Paul Hoadley to hire Jerry Simpson to make three replica signs (parking, no cars, & campers everywhere) and one park rules sign at \$125.00 each.

Yays: Jim Rudolph, Paul Hoadley, Ethel Knepp, Robbin Kraft, Marlene Golovich

Nays:

Motion carried.

INSURANCE CONTRACT – Jim Rudolph made a motion, supported by Paul Hoadley to authorize the Clerk to sign the insurance contract renewal with Municipal Underwriters of Michigan, Inc. and to decline the additional Terrorism Coverage. Motion carried unanimously.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – Zoning Administrator, Ron VanZee, presented a written report with an oral overview. Ron stated that he met with the DEQ for a pre-application meeting regarding grass removal at EAB. The DEQ indicated that they would approve the mechanical removal of grass from the beach. Because it involves wetland areas the Corp of Engineers will also need to be part of the process. The Township has agreed to fill out and pay for the necessary applications. Paul Hoadley stated that Ron should take a look at Dr. Smith's property and Robbin Kraft suggested that he look at her neighbors barn. Ron also stated he would be out of town on vacation October 13-16.

CLERK PRESENTS

MINUTES – Robbin Kraft made a motion, supported by Jim Rudolph to approve the September 14, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT – Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to add the following line item 101-800c Other Income - CSG Building Sale to the budget. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICES – Robbin Kraft made a motion, supported by Jim Rudolph to approve invoices totaling \$24,609.66

Yeas: Ethel Knepp, Paul Hoadley, Marlene Golovich, Robbin Kraft, Jim Rudolph
Nays:

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - Any correspondence received by the Clerk was provided to the Board

Members for their review and comment.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT – The P&R Committee is getting quotes for a new tractor and a gator/golf cart vehicle for CSG. The tractor will include a bucket and a belly mower for maintenance at the park. The golf cart or

gator type vehicle will be used for maintenance and moving individuals around the park. Jim Rudolph is meeting with a representative from a John Deere dealership and will get quotes from them. A quote for a Kubota tractor has been obtained too. Two sources for grant money are being considered, the Charlevoix County millage money and the Tribe 2% grant money. The P&R committee will have an article ready for the news letter including dates for next year's volunteer days.

REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION – Jim reported that Marilyn Moorehead was elected PC chair. The October PC meeting date was changed to October 13, 2015. Future meetings will include discussion about who the Township may hire to replace Mary Campbell as the planning advisor.

TREASURERS REPORT - Robbin Kraft presented a written report from July 1 – September 30.

TRUSTEE REPORT – Jim Rudolph stated he would like the Board to write a letter to the legislature in opposition to HB4425 regarding the Township authority to regulate speed limits. Jim will write the letter and the clerk will send it out on Township letterhead.

SUPERVISOR REPORT – Ethel stated that she has been contacting individuals looking for someone to replace Betty Henne on the Library Board.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT – Anne Kantola stated she was back from vacation and her learning curve continues. She did receive notice that the assessing numbers were low based on the rising market.

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectively submitted

Marlene Golovich
Hayes Township Clerk

Minutes approved as written November 9, 2015