
**HAYES TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES
January 9, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Hayes Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Ethel Knepp at 7:30 p.m.

Board members present were Marlene Golovich, Jim Rudolph, Robin Kraft, Doug Kuebler and Ethel Knepp. Audience members were Dave Zipp, Bill Eaton, Lyn Johnson, Paul Hoadley, Anne Kantola, BJ Conley and Shirlene Tripp

REVIEWED AGENDA – Added Conceptual Plan for Camp Seagull, Camp Petosega Site Visit and Special Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comments.

CONCEPTUAL PLAN/CAMP SEAGULL – Clerk Golovich stated that Mike Pond of AECOM stated that he could prepare a conceptual plan to be submitted with the DNR Trust Fund Grant application for an amount not to exceed \$5000.00. Lyn Johnson from Emmet County gave an overview of the previous work AECOM has done for the parks systems in Emmet County and how pleased they were with AECOM’s quality of work.

Ethel Knepp made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to hire AECOM to prepare a conceptual plan to be submitted with the DNR Trust Fund grant application for the purchase of Camp Seagull at a cost not to exceed \$5000.00. The conceptual plan must be completed prior to the first public hearing on this project February 8, 2012.

Roll Call

Ethel Knepp	Yes
Robbin Kraft	Yes
Jim Rudolph	Yes
Doug Kuebler	Yes
Marlene Golovich	Yes

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL MEETING - Marlene Golovich made a motion, supported by Ethel Knepp to schedule a special meeting for January 12, 2012, 5:30 p.m. at the Hayes Township Hall to discuss with AECOM the conceptual plan to be submitted with the DNR Trust Fund grant application for the purchase of Camp Seagull. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk will post hall and web page.

Lyn Johnson from Emmet County gave an overview of Emmet County’s view on creating and maintaining public parks and access to area lakes and rivers. He stated that the revenues taken in do not completely offset the expenditures for maintaining the parks but it was never the intended goal for the County. The Emmet County philosophy is that the benefits of creating and

maintaining their public lands are immeasurable. It not only raises the quality of life for their residents but also contributes to the local economy. When asked by Dave Zipp if he has ever toured Camp Seagull (CS) Lyn replied that he had and was impressed by its great potential. When Emmett County started with Camp Petosega the building were in worse shape than the existing buildings at CS. Lyn stated that he could see with the right marketing CS could generate income to offset the costs to maintain it. He also stated that Hayes Township has a tremendous opportunity that should be explored. This opportunity should be preserved for future generations so that we may always be able to offer a quality of life that is unique to our area and is found nowhere else.

Paul Hoadley asked if the Board could see a time that it would cost our residents more in taxes. Ethel stated that the Township would not be asking for additional millage for the park. It is a concern for the residents that they would see an increase in their taxes but that is not an expected outcome. If the County, a church or school were to purchase this property it also be removed from the tax roll.

Bill Eaton asked where the money would come from for the required matching funds. At this time the Township has \$500,000.00 budgeted for the matching funds and are aggressively pursuing private donations and any other grant opportunities.

CLERK PRESENTS

MINUTES – Jim Rudolph made a motion, supported by Robbin Kraft to approve the December 12, 2011 Regular Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously. Robbin Kraft made a motion, supported by Jim Rudolph to approve the January 4, 2012 Special Board Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICES– Marlene Golovich made a motion supported by Ethel Knepph to approve invoices totaling \$12,582.86. Motion carried unanimously.

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

REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION – Jim Rudolph reported that the Planning Commission ~~is~~ has set the public hearing date for the proposed changes to the ordinance for January 31, 2012, 7:30 p.m. at ~~pm.m.aat~~ the Hayes Township Hall.

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

SUPERVISORS REPORT – Ethel stated that she has been attending a lot of meeting regarding Camp Seagull.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – Jonathan Scheel presented a written report.

BLIGHT ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – Tammy Hopkins sent a written report.

MARCH BOR DATES - Marlene Golovich made a motion, supported by Ethel Knepp to set the dates for BOR as follows: March 6, 2012, 4:00 p.m. to accept the tax role, March 12, 2012, 9-12 a.m. & 1:30-4:30 p.m. to hear appeals and March 13, 2012, 1-4 p.m. & 6-9 p.m. to hear appeals. Motion carried unanimously.

SCHOOL TAX RESOLUTION - Motion by Doug Kuebler, supported by Jim Rudolph, to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Charlevoix Board of Education approved a resolution to collect 100% of the school taxes during the summer of 2012, and

WHEREAS, State of Michigan will not pay a per parcel collection fee to the Township if school taxes are on the summer tax bill, and

THEREFORE IT SHALL BE RESOLVED, the Hayes Township Board agrees to collect 100% of the school taxes during the summer of 2012 at a cost of \$2.50 per taxing parcel to be paid by the school.

Motion carried unanimously.

MILEAGE RATE - Clerk Golovich stated that the Internal Revenue Service has increased the mileage rate to 55.5. Jim Rudolph made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to change the mileage rate from .51 to 55.5 per mile beginning January 1, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Rudolph made a motion, supported by Marlene Golovich to adjourn this meeting at 9:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectively submitted

Marlene Golovich
Hayes Township Clerk

Minutes approved as corrected February 13, 2012.