

**WELDON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2018
MINUTES
Tuesday
7:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE:

Board

Ron Hitesman, Supervisor X Carrie Aldrich Clerk X ; Sally Bobek, Treasurer X ; Sue Meredith, Trustee X ; Gary Stevens, Trustee X .

GUESTS: Craig Meredith, Chuck Kraus, Becky Sharp, John Schorr, Michael Cogan and Darlene, Fran Griffin, Robert Aldrich, Scott Williams, Bud Kraus.

CHANGES/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: C. Aldrich asks to add three pieces of correspondence and make two corrections to the bills.

MINUTES OF JULY BOARD MEETING: G. Stevens to approve the Minutes as corrected; S. Bobek seconds. All ayes, motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's Report is presented. Discussion. R. Hitesman moves to accept Treasurer's Report as presented; G. Stevens seconds. All ayes, motion passed.

GUEST/ PUBLIC INPUT (up to 5 minutes per guest): Mr. Schorr discusses Kent Stevens' property issue. M. Hogan Cogan discusses easement issues in relation to his property. Discussion. B. Kraus speaks regarding Cherryland Election guide wire put on his property without his permission. Discussion.

REPORTS:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: Craig Meredith presents Zoning Administrator's Report. Discussion.

DAY USE PARK: C. Meredith presents Day Use Park Report. Discussion.

PLANNING COMMISSION: S. Bobek discusses a possible park and recreation plan for Haze Road. Discussion. Discussion regarding potential bridge at Haze Road. Discussion of reaching out to various townships regarding recreational plans; to be discussed next month. C. Kraus corrects the board that they are looking at a Draft of the Planning Commission Minutes. C. Aldrich addresses need for Kent Stevens to be issued a Special Use Permit. Discussion. Clerk will request a copy of the transcript of Mr. Stevens' court hearing. S. Meredith discusses two planners coming to the Planning Commission, Wade Trim and StateCraft. She received an email from Elise Crafts suggesting they both work with the Township. Discussion. C. Kraus reports that the Planning Commission's agents have been unable to find the Special Use Permit issued to

Kent Stevens. He understands Mr. Stevens has been asked to produce his copy, but does not wish to share that with the Planning Commission. The Commission is asking for direction from the township. Discussion. The Board will start the process of issuing a new Special Use Permit for Mr. Stevens. Discussion.

NUISANCE ABATEMENT REPORT: R. Hitesman presents Nuisance Abatement Report. Discussion of whether property owner was asked to put up a fence. Discussion.

ASSESSOR REPORT: R. Hitesman presents Assessor's Report. Discussion.

LIQUOR INSPECTOR REPORT: R. Hitesman presents Liquor Inspector Report.

BUDGET REPORT: C. Aldrich presents Budget Report. Discussion of podium built by Gary Barley. Mr. Barley requested that payment for podium go into Day Use Park Fund. Discussion. Clerk will send him a letter of thanks for building the podium. C. Aldrich moves to pay Gary Barley \$100 for building the beautiful podium, and he use do vote: Carrie Aldrich, yes; Ron Hitesman, yes; Sue Meredith, yes; Sally Bobek, yes; Gary Stevens, yes. Motion passed.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS: Attended a meeting with Carrie Aldrich, John Schorr and Gary Sauer regarding where monies go from foresting in Weldon Township. Mr. Sauer would like to have Mr. Schorr attend a County Board of Commissions meeting. They will meet August 28th at 10:00 a.m. Supervisor and Mr. Kraus have laid out a potential hiking path at the Day Use Park. He is waiting for documentation from Mr. Slavin of the Department of Natural Resources. Discussion.

CLERK COMMENTS: Clerk presents Weldon Cleanup Day Signs. C. Aldrich presents information on different hearing assisted systems. Discussion of Republic waste receptacles locations. G. Stevens moves to have a receptacle placed at the Day Use Park as well as at the end of Haze Road, until winter, with a sign that reads "No Dumping of Household Garbage"; S. Bobek seconds. All ayes, motion passed. Discussion of need for Planning Commission email addresses. MTA recommends the township have their own server or drive to retain copies of the emails. C. Aldrich will contact Dustin's Computer Repair for assistance. C. Aldrich presents Corrective Action Plan to the State of Michigan, as prepared by Baird, Cotter & Bishop, P.C. Clerk discusses August 7, 2018 election. All four proposals passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Discussion of x-raying of cemetery at Pioneer Road. Gourdie-Fraser feels the cemetery extends beyond the area they surveyed. There do not appear to be any open spaces at the cemetery.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion of Planning Commission Openhouse September 8, 12-2 PM, to allow the public to meet the planning commission members. Refreshments will be served. Clerk will put in the paper and on the website. Discussion.

Discussion of correspondence from Dick Figura regarding appropriate motions at board meetings, as well as amendments regarding the zoning ordinance.

Discussion of Non-Motorized Trail Resolution. Board will discuss at next meeting.

BILLS:

Craig Meredith, Day Use Park/Plowing/Mowing	250.00
David Kane, Website Maintenance	60.00
Julie Lonn, Town Hall Cleaning	50.00
Gary Stevens, Cemetery Cleanup	300.00

AFLAC	281.50
VISA	554.99
Acentek	179.05
KK Builders, Inc.	1715.90
Gourdie-Fraser, Inc.	2287.50
Republic Waste	51.11
Michigan Township Association	35.00
Cherryland Electric	110.19
Election Inspector/Chair wages	1270.00
Election Inspector Training	180.00
Bayside Printing	13.44
BS&A Annual Support Fee	783.00
July Board of Review Wages	100.00
The Pioneer Group	129.39
Richard Figura	202.50
Dustin's Computer Repair	60.00
City of Traverse City	395.00
Deluxe	407.67
Chris Bobek, Nuisance Abatement	200.00
Weldon Township Planning Commission Wages	425.00
Planning Commission Training	350.00
Carrie Aldrich, reimbursement	24.90
Craig Meredith, Zoning Administrator	268.76
Jessica Nuytten, Assessor	1120.00
Jessica Nuytten, Reimbursement	21.16
Board Salaries	<u>3075.00</u>
TOTAL BILLS AMOUNT:	\$14,901.06

G. Stevens moves to pay bills; S. Meredith seconds. All ayes, motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Benzie County Board of Road Commissioner's Minutes June 28, 2018, July 12, 2018, July 26, 2018

Benzie County Library Board Meeting Minutes June 11, 2018

Michigan State University Citizen Planner Program

MTA Emerging Issues in Emergency Services brochure

MTA Managing your Township Team, How Boards Make Decisions brochure

Michigan Dept of Natural Resources Notice of Variance Applications

MI. Dept of Treasury's Local Government Summit

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: G. Stevens moves to adjourn; C. Aldrich seconds. All ayes, motion passed.

TIME: 8:42 PM