

WELDON TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 10, 2019  
TUESDAY  
7:00PM

The meeting was called to order by Ron Hitesman, Supervisor at 7:00PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**ATTENDANCE:** Ron Hitesman, Supervisor, Fran Griffin, Clerk, Sally Bobek, Treasurer, Sue Meredith, Trustee, Gary Stevens, Trustee. All present.

**GUESTS:** Tim Figura, Township Attorney, updated the Board on the JPC counteroffer given to him by Mr. Kuhn, JPC's attorney, regarding Weldon Township's withdrawal from the JPC almost two years ago. Discussion. G. Stevens made a motion to accept the agreement presented from the JPC, Village of Thompsonville, Colfax Township with the following modifications: the second WHEREAS sentence—delete 'withdraw' and replace with 'complete withdrawal'. Third WHEREAS remove 'remaining'. Eliminate items #3 and #4 totally. S. Bobek seconded the motion. Roll call taken. G. Stevens, S. Meredith, R. Hitesman, F. Griffin, S. Bobek, all ayes. R. Hitesman signed the Agreement for \$15,150.00 with the modifications. Mr. Figura to convey to Ward Kuhn.

**CHANGES/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** R. Hitesman made the motion to change the agenda to move Zoning Administrator report to **GUESTS** to give Tim Figura an opportunity to address the Casey/Murphy issue. C. Meredith gave his Zoning Administrator report. He issued LUP#110119 to Kirk Davidson for Crystal Mountain. He has received calls from Simmer Surveying regarding lot line/setbacks. Issue is with Dave Casey's garage being built on neighbor, Scott Murphy's property (property belongs to his mother). C. Meredith talked with Casey Guthrie, township assessor. Mr. Guthrie advised C. Meredith to NOT have S. Murphy request a ZBA variance. Discussion. D. Casey and Murphy may be able to work out an agreement between themselves. Mr. Figura will contact Jesse Williams (D. Casey's attorney) regarding this issue.

S. Bobek made the motion to approve the agenda as w/change. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

**MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2019 REGULAR MEETING:** S. Bobek made the motion to approve the November 12, 2019 meeting minutes with the change to remove under BILLS the Nuisance Officer check for \$200.00 making the total of the bills \$16,493.03. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** G. Stevens made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

**GUEST/PUBLIC INPUT:** none

**REPORTS:**

**DAY USE PARK:** C. Meredith gave his DUP report. Restroom is being pumped again.

\*\*G. Stevens had a question with the amount of his check. Clerk will check into it following tonight's meeting.

\*\*\*S. Bobek left at 8:02PM.

**GREENSPACE UPDATE:** Clerk requested the records and bills for the Grant. She is trying to balance the Grant money with the bills for the project. R. Hitesman will check with Carrie Aldrich to get the records/bills on the Greenspace Grant.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** C. Kraus gave an update. There will be a Public Hearing on the Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance amendments on January 6, 2020 at 6:30PM. Elise stated that Mr. Mullen will get copies to the Clerk for display before the Hearing. PC is working on their 2020-21 budget.

**NUISANCE REPORT:** G. Stevens reported nothing until spring.

**LIQUOR INSPECTOR REPORT:** Reports are on file. No issues.

**BUDGET REPORT:** F. Griffin presented budget amendments to bring line items in line. G. Stevens made the motion to approve the amendments to the budget. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

**SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:** R. Hitesman checked for places to test for black mold. F. Griffin said there is a kit available from Home Depot. Discussion. She will pick up a kit. R. Hitesman spoke with the Road Commission about the Haze Road south side issue. Discussion. BCRC will check it out and get a cost. BOR met today. They had eight issues. One poverty exemption was turned in late. R. Hitesman will have Casey Guthrie take care of it. Kent Stevens has resigned from the BOR. Chris Bobek is interested in replacing him. Discussion. Clerk will put an ad in the paper and on the website requesting anyone interested in sitting on the BOR to contact Weldon Township Supervisor.

**CLERK COMMENTS:** Clerk mentioned the Pruett property at Crystal Mountain and the tax issue they have been having. She referred them to Ron Hitesman and Casey Guthrie, assessor, for resolution. R. Hitesman has been told by C. Guthrie that it has been taken care of. Need a time and date for packing of candy for Christmas Eve fire truck. It was decided that we will do it Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Black Mold Kit—addressed previously.

**NEW BUSINESS:** R. Hitesman reported that C. Kraus and Becky Sharp have worked on the application for a second Greenspace Grant for \$10,000 with additional \$5000 (not committed) from Weldon Township to make enhancements to the Day Use Park. Discussion. Application packet needs to be mailed for receipt by Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. R. Hitesman will over night the package. Chuck Kraus, Becky Sharp and Ron Hitesman are heading this up.

**BILLS:**

David Kane, Monthly Website Maintenance  
60.00  
Craig Meredith, ZA  
166.67  
Craig Meredith-DUP  
150.00

Craig Meredith-LUP fees	28.00
Craig Meredith-Plowing	60.00
Julie Lonn, Town Hall Cleaning	
50.00	
Benzie Pumping	225.00
AFLAC	
304.86	VISA
221.61	
AcenTek	175.67
The Pioneer Group	
24.40	Cherryland Electric
17.79	
Michigan Election Resource	
20.50	Figura Law
588.00	
Bayside Printing	
128.00	Municipal Underwriters
4540.00	
Election Resources	
343.00	Image 360
625.12	
Apex Software (assessor)	
235.00	
BOR Pay	60.00
Casey Guthrie-Assessor	
1409.83	
Planning Commission Dec 2019	
325.00	
Township Board Salaries	
<u>3075.00</u>	
TOTAL	
\$12,833.45	

G. Stevens made the motion to pay the bills. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Networks Northwest Newsletter, BVDL Minutes of Nov 12. 2-10 meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

**ADJOURNMENT:** G. Stevens made the motion to adjourn. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:24PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Fran Griffin  
Weldon Township Clerk