

WELDON TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
July 14, 2020  
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:** Dawn Bousamra, Benzie Senior Resources, Craig Meredith, Gary Sauer

**CHANGES/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** F. Griffin stated due to the late receipt of the bill from the County Treasurer, the Bills for this month's agenda need to be corrected. Add bill from County Treasurer for \$3568.50 making the total of the bills for July \$20,905.23. R. Hitesman made the motion to approve the agenda. G. Stevens seconded. All ayes.

**MINUTES OF THE June 9, 2020 and the Election Commission Meeting June 25, 2020:** G. Stevens made the motion to approve both meeting minutes. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** S. Bobek reported that the Tax Collection Report has been received. F. Griffin made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

**GUEST/PUBLIC INPUT:** Dawn Bousamra gave a report on the Benzie Senior Resources and presented us with their 2019 Annual Report. She reminded us of their millage proposal renewal on the August ballot.

**REPORTS:**

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:** C. Meredith gave his written and oral report. One LUP Crystal Mountain and an accessory garage on 669. Still in contact with Mr. Milargik on his camper on Haze Rd.

**DAY USE PARK:** C. Meredith's written report was given to the Board and is on file. The Park is getting a lot of use. Iron Fish is now running canoes and kayaks on the Betsie. He continues to clean restroom and surrounding area and will be posting No Smoking signs.

**NEW GREENSPACE GRANT:** R. Hitesman reported on the project. Fence is up. SEEDS will be working on the Park. They will be installing non-skid treads on the walkway and putting more mulch down. November 1st is the deadline to use the Grant monies.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** C. Kraus gave his report. He has been in contact with Arthur Muller, Wade Trim, about getting started on the Zoning revisions that have been on hold. The Township Board needs to review the Fee Schedule for LUP's, etc. C. Meredith will research other's fees. Clerk will change the posted schedule now to read just Weldon Township. Send copy of Fee Schedule to the Planning Commission. Maintenance of gardens at the Hall was brought up. Carrie Aldrich will head up the management of the flower beds. Mulch may be needed in the front garden. SEEDS may have some left over per R. Hitesman.

**LIQUOR INSPECTOR REPORT:** Reports are on file. R. Hitesman says no concerns.

**NUISANCE Report:** G. Stevens' written report is on file. He has been working with F. Hankins (4<sup>th</sup> and Lindy Rd) on his property cleanup. Mr. Hankins is being very cooperative. Additional pictures from complaint discussed.

S. Bobek asked about the fireworks at Geno's on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Questioned if Geno needed a permit from the Township. Discussion. 7:32PM R. Hitesman put the meeting on hold so he could get information from his office. 7:34PM back in session. R. Hitesman read an article from the MTA publication regarding fireworks. Discussion. Question is: Does Weldon Township have any jurisdiction over what goes on within the Village? R. Hitesman will check with Mr. Figura and S. Bobek will check with the MTA attorney.

**BUDGET REPORT:** G. Stevens made the motion to approve the budget with the additional deposit and bill received just prior to the meeting. S. Bobek seconded. All ayes.

**SUPERVISOR COMMENTS:** He talked with Brian Bury/DNR regarding changes to the trail at the DUP. R. Hitesman thinks maybe we need a ‘handyman’. Discussion. BOR coming up July 21<sup>st</sup>. S. Bobek made the motion to appoint Jane Hitesman to the BOR. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

S. Bobek will ask Casey Guthrie to notify the BOR members when meeting dates and times are set. Marty Lonn would like to be on the BOR as an alternate.

**CLERK COMMENTS:** Republic Service has placed a tote at the end of Haze Rd. G. Stevens will see that the 55-gallon drum is removed. The surveillance monitor quit working. Fortress Security was called. Mr. Evans referred me to Progressive Security in Arcadia. Took the monitor from the old computer system. Works fine. BC&C conducted the annual audit. Angie said when she left, everything went fine. Clerk asked how we notify the residents of the fall Cleanup Day September 19<sup>th</sup>. Discussion. Clerk will put a notice in the paper mid-August and early September. Fire extinguishers expired June. Clerk will meet with Summit on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. Acentek was called because of issues with the Clerk’s telephone. Repairman found cut and rusted wires on the outside. Line repaired. Village Fire Dept report was received.

S. Bobek questioned the figures because the approximately \$100,000 received from the Townships doesn’t show. She would like to know what the money is being spent on.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Quote for repairing the furnace ceiling has been received. Lost Lake Improvement quote is \$1150.00. G. Stevens made the motion to have the repair done. F. Griffin seconded. All ayes.

**NEW BUSINESS:** F. Griffin is asking the Board to choose someone to be the Workplace Coordinator and a Backup person for the Covid-19 Preparedness and Response Plan. F. Griffin made the motion that R. Hitesman be the Workplace Coordinator. S. Bobek seconded. All yes. Discussion. F. Griffin made the motion to make S. Bobek the Backup person. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

**BILLS:**

July 2020

David Kane, Monthly Website Maintenance

60.00

Craig Meredith, ZA

250.00

Craig Meredith-lawncare/garden	120.00
Craig Meredith-DUP	
150.00	
Craig Meredith-LUP Fees	56.00
Craig Meredith-postage reimburse	4.95
Julie Lonn, Town Hall Cleaning	50.00
Gary Stevens-cemetery maint	300.00
Gary Stevens-Nuisance Enforcement	200.00
Ron Hitesman-Liq Inspec	550.00
AFLAC	304.86
VISA	556.20
AcenTek	174.22
Michigan Election Resource	174.79
Republic Service-DUP & Haze Rd	112.57
US Postmaster-tax postage	624.22
Fran Griffin-reimburse	72.31
Pioneer Group	45.15
Benzie Road Comm-Brining	3626.67
Perfect Fence-DUP fence repl	1375.76
Milarch Bros-spring irrigation startup	65.00
City of Traverse City-HazMat fee	395.00
State of Michigan-qrtly	574.00
IRS-941 qrtly	
2455.58	
Cherryland Electric	57.28
Planning Commission-Pay	425.00
Casey Guthrie-Assessor	1398.83
Township Board Salaries	3158.34
County Treasurer	<u>3568.50</u>
<b>TOTAL-JULY</b>	<b>\$20,905.23</b>

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:** CRA E Newsletter, Networks Northwest Newsletter, Par Plan News

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

**ADJOURNMENT:** G. Stevens made the motion to adjourn. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Griffin  
Weldon Township Clerk