

Melrose Township Board of Trustees Minutes

September 10, 2013

Call to Order 7:00pm by V. Goodwin

Present: L. Meadows, S. Burr, V. Goodwin, P. Cotanche, R. Hissong Berry

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve amended agenda with the addition of G. Lasater and B. Hanahan as guest.

Motion P. Cotanche 2nd L. Meadows 5/0

Approval of Minutes

V. Goodwin reviewed the minutes of the August 13 regular meeting with the correction of storm sewer, not water, line damage near the boat launch parking lot.

Motion to approve minutes from August 13, 2013 Township Board meeting as corrected:

Motion L. Meadows 2nd S. Burr Approved 5/0

Guest

- George Lasater will explore with prosecutor
 1. Language of proposed noise ordinance
 2. Will they prosecute violations ?
 3. Will the Sheriff's office enforce a Township ordinance?
- Auditor's Report from Hill Schroeder.
Reviewed and highlighted the evaluation. We are in good standing.

Old Business

- **Green Belt Agreement.**
 1. Consequences for noncompliance by either party?
 2. Delete log borders along the river
 3. Duration of agreement
 4. Clarification of invasive species removal
 5. Maintaining mowed access points along river's edgeSpecial Board Meeting will be set for further consideration of the proposed agreement.
- **Road End Ordinance-** Not ready yet.

- **Fire Works-**
Motion to support the effort to develop a county wide ordinance regulating fireworks and share the cost of developing the ordinance based on the number of townships participating.

Motion L. Meadows 2nd V. Goodwin Approved 5/0

- **Employee duties/policies & procedures-** Not ready yet.
- **Old Fire truck-** Will be added to Nov/Dec agenda.
- **Parking Agreement with Walloon Lake Trust and Conservancy-**
Motion to approve the agreement with WLTC for the parking access along North Shore Drive.

Motion L. Meadows 2nd S. Burr Approved 5/0

New Business

- **Recreation Plan Committee-Meeting** , gathering input and reviewing the old plan.
- **Correct name of Bear Foot Lane-**

B.Hanahan requested we follow-up the effort to have name correction made. Motion to officially contact Charlevoix County Equalization requesting the spelling correction for Bear Foot Lane.

Motion V. Goodwin 2nd L. Meadows Approved 5/0

Financial Report

Motion to approve the financial reports as presented and pay all bills:
Motion S. Burr 2nd P. Cotanche Approved 5/0

Zoning Administrators Report- Meeting was held on August 28. P. Cotanche shared the ZBA rules of procedure approved at this meeting.. An alternate ZBA member needs to be appointed in the future. See attached for full report.

Assessors Report- None

Committee Reports

- Planning Commission- Did not meet
- Zoning Board of Appeals- P. Cotanche reviewed.
- Road Committee- Final payment for work on Old State Road will not be paid until inspection.
- Fire Department- See attached report.
- Park Committee- See attached report.
Motion to support the addition of sand to the beach, volleyball court and playground as recommended by park committee.

Motion S. Burr 2nd P. Cotanche Approved 5/0
- DDA- No meeting.

Correspondence None

Public Comment-

- Insurance renewal- went with existing policy per Vern.
- Ernie Fitzpatrick will buy dumpster at transfer station if township would like to sell.
- George Whitfield- Trees in the road right of way over the line by 1'-3', if not enforcing on all why on this one. Front entrance - set back?

Adjournment 9:42pm