

## **Minutes of REGULAR MEETING**

**Held June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**7:00 PM**

**TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON**

**Dawn Johnson, Clerk**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Supervisor Moorhouse led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Fred Moorhouse, Supervisor  
Dawn Johnson, Clerk  
Nolan Kinder, Treasurer-Absent  
Sandi Glesenkamp, Trustee  
Dale Fuller, Trustee

Others in attendance see attached sign in sheet.

**AGENDA** Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Fuller to approve the agenda as presented. All AYES. Motion carried.

**MINUTES** Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Fuller to approve the regular meeting minutes held May 9<sup>th</sup> 2017. All AYES. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** The financial report was accepted into record

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mike Carls, 3245 LeValley Rd. Mr. Carls discussed with the Board the request by Consumers Energy using his gravel pit for parking their vehicles while working in the area. They would like to sign a six-month lease to use the parking area as a staging area for vehicles that will be working on laying natural gas mains in the surrounding area. The Board has concerns about the vehicles coming and going down LeValley Rd, which is already compromised by the trucks using it for a travel route for the Karengondi Water Main Project.

Cheryl Clark, County Commissioner. Commissioner Clark updated the Board on grants that had been submitted. A \$500.00 grant was approved for identifying trees and plants on the Southern Links Trailway.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** None scheduled

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Parks & Recreation account** The Board discussed ways in which the Parks and Recreation fund raising efforts could be put into a separate account that would be accessible to them for spending on projects at the Park. Glesenkamp said she would call Chase and see how a checking account might be set up for this purpose.

**Zoning & Planning fees increase** The Board entered into discussion about raising the Planning, Engineering and Zoning fees. The fees have not been raised since March 2010. Since the Planning Commission and ZBA members received a wage increase, the township is not collecting enough money to cover costs of a Planning Commission or ZBA meeting. Joe Israel, Building Official, suggested fees for the following areas and took into consideration what other townships charge. Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Fuller to increase the ZBA application fee to \$400.00 and \$350.00 for a second meeting. Site Plan review will be increased to \$1500.00. Planning Commission special land use applications will increase to \$525.00 for a residential request and \$2500.00 for a commercial request. Site Plan review will be increased to \$1500.00. A special meeting with the Planning Commission will be raised to \$600.00. All AYES. Motion carried.

**Reimbursement of Building Official's conference fee** Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Fuller to pay for the PIAM conference Joe Israel attended in May. ALL AYES. Motion carried.

**Officer Hinsberger's hours during July festivals** The Board discussed how to handle Officer Hinsberger working the village festivals in July. It was the consensus of the Board that if any overtime is required of Dan to cover the hours the Villages want him on hand for the festivals, the municipalities would be responsible for covering the overtime costs.

**Submission of LCCF grant for park** Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Fuller to support the submission of a grant request to the Lapeer County Community Foundation for two message center boards and a memorial plaque for the Township Park. All AYES. Motion carried.

**Zoning Administration and Zoning Enforcement Officials** The Board discussed the predicament of the Township Zoning Administrator of which we are faced. Supervisor Moorhouse has been handling zoning ordinance complaints along with Mike Alexander as Zoning Enforcement Officer for the last 8 years, but the new zoning ordinance, specifically assigns this responsibility to a Zoning Administrator. There are concerns that Joe will not have enough time in the township to do what is necessary to handle our zoning complaints. Fred suggested he would be willing to continue to handle the zoning complaints, along with Mike Alexander's assistance, for a fee of \$35.00 per complaint investigated.

**Resolution to approve new Election Equipment** Johnson presented the Board with a resolution that approves applying for a grant to purchase new voting equipment that will be implemented in 2018. The equipment will be purchased with a combination of Help America Vote Act monies and state-appropriated funds. Fuller made a motion, supported by Glesenkamp to submit the grant application on behalf of the Township. AYE Moorhouse, Johnson, Glesenkamp, Fuller. NAY None. ABSENT Kinder. Motion carried.

**2016 MMM financial report** Johnson shared a financial report from last year's Community Walk.

#### APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS

Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Fuller to approve warrants 10763-10819 in the amount of \$49,093.23 from general fund. And warrants 5994-6003 in the amount of \$3,281.70 from the building department fund. Roll call vote was taken. AYE Johnson, Glesenkamp, Fuller, Moorhouse. NAYS None. ABSENT Kinder. Motion carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**SLT trailhead update** Fuller gave an update on the Columbiaville trailhead parking lot project.

**ADJOURNMENT** Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM

Submitted by Dawn Johnson  
Dawn Johnson, Clerk

Approved by Fred Moorhouse  
Fred Moorhouse, Supervisor

date 7/24/2017