

Minutes of **SPECIAL MEETING**

Held October 6th, 2016

10:30 AM

TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON

Dawn Johnson, Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 10:30 AM. Supervisor Moorhouse, led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Fred Moorhouse, Supervisor
Sandi Glesenkamp, Treasure - Left at 11:30 am
Dawn Johnson, Clerk - ABSENT
Karen Webber, Trustee
Jim Chaffer, Trustee - ABSENT

Others in attendance

Michael Gildner, Township Attorney
Michael Alexander, Township Zoning Enforcement Officer
Tom Valentine, Township Assessor
Mary Ann Price
Lori Hollis
Amanda Krause

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Moorhouse to approve the agenda as presented with minor corrections. ALL AYES. NAYS None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

NEW BUSINESS

Medical Marijuana Discussion took place with Attorney Gildner on the State Law Changes to Medical Marijuana. The new law change will give the townships and other local units the final say over whether any medical marijuana facilities are located in their jurisdiction as well as the number of facilities, if they choose to limit. Townships that want to allow any medical marijuana facilities must "opt in" and adopt an ordinance before any individual or entity could apply to the state for one of five license categories—grower, processor, secure transporter, provisioning center and safety compliance facility. ~~No action is required for townships to keep such facilities out.~~ Without a local ordinance, the state could not issue a license for any facility within that local unit. Townships could also further regulate noise, lighting, setback requirements and other aspects of medical marijuana facilities. Additionally, a township may charge an annual licensing fee of up to \$5,000. It would also permit a tax rate of 3% on the gross retail income of each such facility. If the township decides to "opt out" the township will have to publicly announce the opt out by Dec 26th, 2016, this is the day the new law change goes into effect. The board members present decided to table to the regular meeting.

Basement Windows Tabled to regular meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Berlin Property Moorhouse advised the Board of a non- official complaint made by a township resident that there are horses being buried on the Berlin property located at 4097 Berlin Drive, Otter Lake. The property consists of 11 acres. Dorothy Wickes from Lapeer County Health Department has been notified of the issue, as well as Deputy Hinsberger.

ZONING ISSUES Discussion took place with Attorney Gildner over a number of zoning issues. Attorney Gildner gave the board updates on Jones, Oliver, Colson and Montney.

Jones, Marathon Road. A court date for the Jones property is set for Oct 7th 2016. Attorney Gildner walked the property a month ago. Dorothy Wickes from Lapeer County Health Department has been subpoenaed in regards to the existing **well septic system** on the property. The existing **well septic system** is over 100 years old and there is no record of it. Basement wall is caving in. The roof on the outbuilding is collapsing. Moorhouse printed off current pictures of the Jones property that he took on Oct 5th 2016 to give to Attorney Gildner to look over.

Oliver, Court papers have been served. A court for the Oliver case will be held Monday Oct 10th 2016.

Montey, Attorney Gildner stated that Montney has not been served court papers, many attempts have been made without success.

Coulson, A court date has been set for Monday Oct 10th 2016 for the Coulson property.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM

Minutes were taken by Amanda Krause, Deputy Clerk

Submitted by 
Amanda Krause, Deputy Clerk

Approved by 
Fred Moorhouse, Supervisor

date 12-7-16

Park rules and regulations ordinance Johnson made a motion, supported by Webber to approve the ordinance to enforce rules and regulations adopted by the Township Board relating to the Marathon Township Community Park. All AYES. Motion carried.

Jeremy Johnson property Chaffer made a motion, supported by Glesenkamp to hire Mikes Excavating to remove the dangerous building and blight violations at the Johnson property on Hollenbeck Road. The bid submitted was \$8500.00. Roll call vote was taken. AYE Johnson, Glesenkamp, Moorhouse, Chaffer, Webber. NAYS None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Donation for Chili Cook-off Johnson made a motion, supported by Chaffer to a donate a gift card and two MMM t-shirts for the cook-off. All AYES.. Motion carried.

MTA banquet tickets Moorhouse made a motion, supported by Chaffer to approve paying for MTA banquet tickets for officials and spouses who plan to attend. All AYES. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS

Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Chaffer to approve warrants 10332-10383 in the amount of \$34,678.98 from general fund and warrants 5940-5944 in the amount of \$2,400.49 from building department fund. Roll call vote was taken. AYE Glesenkamp, Moorhouse, Chaffer, Webber, Johnson. NAYS None. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Submitted by 
Dawn D Johnson, Clerk

Approved by 
Fred Moorhouse, Supervisor

date 10/13/2016