

Milton Township  
Meeting Minutes  
August 11, 2014  
Synopsis

Members present: Bargy, S. Ball, Cole and Pharo

Members absent: Atkinson, excused.

Also present: Attorneys Derman, Weinzapfel, Stilson, Jeremy Ball, and 9 audience members

Bargy called the meeting to order at 7 pm and the Pledge was recited

Agenda Approval  
Remove discussion of Master Plan Update by Chris Weinzapfel  
Agenda approved by consent

Approval of meeting minutes  
Motion to approve the minutes as by S. Ball. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

Jerry Mensing thanked the board paving of the roads in Orchard Hills. The county road crew is doing an outstanding job.

Mike Moyer: Joe Marks Trail is falling apart and they would like to get it on the list for re-paving.

Tom Vranich gave an update on the Milton Township book project. We've had a few people show interest in researching local history and founding families. Anyone interested in helping with this project, contact Sandy Ball here at the township and she will forward the information on to me. This book is to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Milton Township.

**Sheriff's Report**

As presented by Sheriff Bean  
307 total calls. This compares with 300 for 2013. David Kopkau has retired and was thanked for his many years of service. Regarding the Sandbar, it went well. We had less injuries this year. Regarding fireworks complaints. There is state law, we will go with this until the prosecutor's office can come up with a better solution. We will start enforcing the state law which reads that citizens cannot use fireworks between the hours of 1 am and 8 am on days surrounding certain holidays.

**Fire Department Report**

As presented by Chief Ball

11 calls for service in July. Harbor Days and July 4<sup>th</sup> went well. Trucks and staff were in the parade. The Water Ball competition was won by Milton for the third year in a row. Attached is a quote for 9921. There is a hole in the bottom of the tank

They have recommended it be replaced with a poly tank at a cost of \$9955.

Motion to approve the repair by Pharo. Seconded by S. Ball. Motion carried.

Update on Knox Box program. Hosting an open house on August 24 at station 1 from 1-4 pm. August 23<sup>rd</sup>. is the last Clean-Up day for this year and we will be there to collect for MD. Fire/Rescue information is on the township website.

### **Zoning Report**

As presented by Weinzapfel

20 land use permits. Junk violations are being addressed. Multiple calls regarding fireworks issue. Steuer has submitted bids for road end improvements. This will be addressed at Parks and Rec. next meeting. Karen Ferguson has contacted me on the DeFauw property. Two variance requests for this Thursday.

### **Ambulance Report**

As presented by Weinzapfel

60 runs for July. Friends and family and pet CPR was well attended. Calls were down for Harbor Days this year.

### **Planning Commission Report**

As presented by Stilson

There was no meeting last month. This month, there will be a meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. We have two subcommittees. One for Boat House Storage LLC and another for an individual. Both are looking to put in mini storage. The second subcommittee is for Ron Reffitt who is considering a rezone for land across the street from his home.

### **Attorney's Report**

As presented by Derman

Wickstrom tax tribunal matter is now dismissed and the file is closed. The Road millage for Milton passed and the Ambulance millage passed as well.

### **Supervisor's Report**

As presented by Bargy

Heidi Lang has found a few small stands of phragmites. She will start the paperwork on spraying. A note that the August 23<sup>rd</sup> is clean-up day.

### **Public Comment:**

No one wished to speak.

There is a Hazmat Cleanup Day scheduled for August 23<sup>rd</sup>. It will be located in front of the DPW in Elk Rapids.

**Approval of Bills**

Motion to approve the bills by Cole. Seconded by Pharo. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 7:33 pm.

These minutes are subject to board approval at the September regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ball  
Milton Township Clerk