

Synopsis  
Milton Township  
Meeting Minutes  
August 8, 2016

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

Also present: Attorney B. Derman, C. Weinzapfel, Chief Ball, J. Stilson, and many audience members

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

Agenda Approval  
Agenda approved by consent

Approval of meeting minutes dated July 11, 2016  
Motion to approve the minutes by Atkinson/S. Ball. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

Mike Moyer of Joe Marks Trail complimented the board on the newsletter. We are happy to see Joe Marks is on the list for paving next year. Tonight, 95% of the audience are residents of Joe Marks trail and they want to make sure the township knows it's important that the road be paved next year.

Polly Walker of MacKenzie Dr., said they have the home next to the public access on Winters Road. Because the weather has been warm this year, we've had high traffic at the public access next door. Is there a chance of putting up a sign stating the hours of the park? Because of the usage, there is a lot of garbage and dog mess. We have at least two or three public access on MacKenzie Drive, we are wondering what we can do to get those opened up.

Stewart Shockley lives on the south side of the access. He had to put up a fence to keep people off his property but, as Polly says, the people coming have no idea of the property rights of the neighbors. It's a mess and it's getting worse.

Bill P. of MacKenzie Drive: Those other two accesses should be marked.

Cole said both of those accesses are rocky and not good swimming. People do have a right to be able to walk on the beach. It's the people who are coming down to the accesses and camping out.

Polly Walker said the big rocks were put in to help with the erosion. People are bringing kayaks and jet skis down. People are launching their small sail boats. I think the erosion is due to the use.

Bargy stated that the township will check in to all of this and discuss it with Elk Rapids.

Cole said there are some signage things we can do.

Jeanie Jorgenson has a cottage next to the proposed park. She doesn't want that kind of trouble next to her cottage. She's appreciated the signs that were put up so people aren't parking in their spots. She asked regarding parking once it's developed and the speed limit. She'd like to see the swing sets by the resort and not by the cottages. Atkinson said there are no plans for that presently. Park rules and specifics will go on the sign and they will be posted in the best place possible. Boats are also beaching and walking across to the store.

Karen Bargy, County Commissioner said thank you for coming out and voting in the primary. Updates were given on the budget and new projects. Currently, there are no changes in the operation of the recycling program.

State Representative Tristan Cole introduced himself and will be here to answer questions after the meeting.

Boat House Storage:

Mark Anderson request that this be delayed until next month.

Motion to table the request for rezone until next month by Pharo/Cole. Motion carried.

### **Sheriff's Report**

As presented by  
342 calls for July.

### **Fire Department Report**

As presented by Chief Ball

11 responses for July. 51 calls for the year so far. Update on training. We participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade on Mor-Len Dr. Truck bids have been extended. Harbor Days went well.

### **Zoning Report**

As presented by Weinzapfel

Lon Shreve of Cottage Cove is here to discuss the septic system. There are several letters regarding the road end access at Chippewa Trail. It's suggested that the hours be posted dawn to dusk. I've had several complaints on fireworks. We discussed it at the last meeting. Would the board like us to go forward on that? Bargy said he would like the planning commission to look into it further.

Sutter Road End Access is washed out. The first restoration wasn't engineered. The county is willing to put in \$2000 to bring in an engineer to create plans for improving the site. Tip of the Mitt is looking to add \$3000 toward the project. The bid from Steuer is \$5687. The balance on the project would be \$2687.

Motion to approve \$2687 by Atkinson/Cole. Motion carried.

### **Ambulance Report**

Board members

**Planning Report**

As presented by Stilson

Update on public hearing for Elizabeth Nichols. Update on public hearing for a rezone from Ag to Light Manufacturing. Update on protection strip subcommittee, RV Campground subcommittee and discussion on administration decisions. August meeting has been canceled.

**Attorney's Report**

As presented by Derman

Discussion of parklands. Update on Bigelow and Maplehurst properties. BRL Development discussion regarding septic field escrow amount. Update on Tax tribunal.

**Supervisor's Report**

As presented by Bargy

Lon Shreve discussed his view on the escrow amount for BRL Development. Shreve disputes the quoted amount for the replacement of the pumps and the field. Cole discussed the history behind the septic escrow agreements we have in the township. If we amend this agreement, we will need to open it up to amending other agreements.

Motion by Atkinson for \$34,000 as the amount for BRL Development escrow.

There is a meeting Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> regarding County Equalization. Amy Jenema will be there to represent Milton Township.

Update on monitoring system at recycling center and tree removal schedule in the park areas and access sights.

Resolution 2016-18 to approve \$18,547 by Pharo/Atkinson for purchase of the EZ Dock System with Canoe Kayak Launch System.

Roll Call: Pharo – Yes; Atkinson – Yes; Cole – Yes; Bargy – Yes; S. Ball – Yes.

Motion carried.

Motion to approve Gosling Czubak for \$8500 for engineering services for the Bigelow property by Pharo/Cole. Motion carried.

Motion to approve carpet cleaning by Stanley Steamer for \$437 by Cole/Pharo. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

No one wished to speak.

**Approval of Bills**

Motion to approve the bills by Atkinson/Pharo. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 8:21 pm.

These minutes are subject to approval at the September 12, 2016 meeting