

**Milton Township
Meeting Minutes October 9, 2017**

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

Also present: County Commissioner K. Bargy, Attorney B. Derman, C. Weinzapfel, J. Ball, B. Hefferan, and 10 audience members

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

Agenda approved by consent

Approval of meeting minutes of September 11, 2017

Motion to approve by L. Atkinson/S. Ball. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Commissioner Bargy gave an annual budget report. Item to note, they are using fund balance to balance the budget. She also discussed emergency radio interference matters. Cole asked regarding the status of the fund balance. Bargy discussed her concerns regarding expending more than revenues, for operations. The budget is under the finance meeting minutes on the county website.

Greg Payne asked regarding the paving done on Stallman and the status of paving Cherry Ave.

Paulette Termaat thanked the board, for the paving on Joe Marks Trail.

Sheriff's Report

Report submitted

117 calls for service in September. Marine and traffic stops were the largest.

Fire Department Report

As presented by Chief Ball

9 calls for September. Update on 911 reflective signs. This week is fire prevention week. Try to plan two ways out of your home if it

catches fire. Smoke detectors are available from the fire department. Discussion of grant applications.

Resolution 2017-14 Safety Operations Grant

Motion to approve resolution 2017-14 by B. Pharo/S. Ball

Roll call: T. Cole-yes; L. Bargy-yes; S. Ball-yes; L. Atkinson-yes; B. Pharo-yes.

Passed 5-0

Absent 0

Planning Commission Report

B. Hefferan

Update on North Shore Docks. Request for feedback regarding the proposed draft for the shoreline protection strip ordinance.

Zoning Report

C. Weinzapfel

Discussion of shoreline protection strip zoning ordinance. A request by Greg and Sandy Maskell and John Turnquist to split lot #32 on Juniper Shore Dr. and merge one half of said split to lot # 33.

Update on the following: Ancient Mariner, Betty Lane, and property violation regarding a shed owned by Tim Baise.

Motion by T. Cole/B. Pharo to approve platted lot split merger agreement on Juniper Shore Dr. pending receipt of a letter from Greg and Sandy Maskell. Motion carried.

Ambulance Report

Submitted.

Attorney's Report

B. Derman

Regarding the Maplehurst property line issue, we are waiting for a survey. Update on weekly rental issue. Short –term rental bills (HB 4503) and (SB 329) If passed, these bills would preempt local zoning authority, not allow local resident input, and allow short-term rentals in residentially zoned areas. MTA reports, this would strip townships and other municipalities of their authority to regulate the zoning of vacation and short-term rentals of 28 days or less by classifying them as a residential property use, not commercial. Contact

your senator and representative.

Supervisor's Report

L. Bargy

Residents on N.W. Torch Lake Dr. approached the GTRLC about putting in an access trail to Maplehurst. The conservancy would like the permission of the board, to explore the option. It would be at the south end of Maplehurst.

Motion by T. Cole/L. Atkinson to have the conservancy review this as part of their trail system.

Bargy will review the recycling center drive.

Cole said he would like to discuss the short term rental issue. There are some well-funded groups pushing for this. We've had good luck with our rental ordinance. I would hate to see us as a community, lose local control. If you'd like to discuss this with your state reps, the information is here. Your input would be much appreciated.

Approval of Bills

Motion to approve the bills by L. Atkinson/T. Cole. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 7:45 pm.

These minutes are subject to approval at the Nov. 13th 2017 regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Ball, Clerk