

Synopsis
Milton Township
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2018

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

Also present: Attorney B. Derman, C. Weinzpafel, J. Ball, B. Hefferan, D. Amos, B. Kingon and 5 audience members

Bargy called the meeting to order at 7 pm and the Pledge was recited
Agenda approved by consent.

Approve minutes from April 9, 2018
Motion to approve by Atkinson/Ball. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Tad Dowker would like the Township Board to reconsider the letter submitted in support of his application to MDOT. The goal is to get the commercial traffic on 31 rather than on Quarterline Road. The prior letter from the township didn't convey his position. After discussion, the Board decided not to submit a new letter at this time.

Performance Engineering: Report on Elk Rapids Township Sewer Extension into Milton Township

Brad Muma gave a presentation regarding the possible sewer extension from Williams Rd. in Elk Rapids Township, to the corner of Cairn Hwy and Cherry Ave. This would be a relatively simple job, as we would do a directional drill and wouldn't be tearing up the roads. Estimated cost to Milton Township is \$85,227.61. The timeline for making the commitment would be this fall, at the latest. This truck line would allow for future expansion. The cost of materials are going to increase maybe as much as 30%. We are seeing that on the labor side as well. All Board members agreed that more discussion and information was needed. A letter will be sent to the property owners along that stretch, and we will schedule a public meeting to discuss the options.

Bargy presented the Intergovernmental Agreement with ACRC for the Pedestrian Signal Maintenance. Motion to approve by S. Ball/L. Atkinson. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Report: Submitted.

79 total calls. 11 medical calls and 15 traffic stops.

Fire Report: by Chief Ball

2 Runs for April. Information on the ISO rating. Discussion on communications/radios. \$594 was collected for MDA. Report on training. We are looking at the first week in June to do the controlled burn at Maplehurst

Request to roll unused funds from the Fire Dept. budget into their cash and capital outlay accounts at the end of the budget year.

Motion by Atkinson/Cole to approve the transfer of unused funds from the Fire Dept. budget to their capital outlay at the end of the budget year. Motion carried.

Discussion of insurance coverage for accidental death coverage for a firefighter. Board members will review this information and discuss next month. Regarding tribal properties, working on mutual aid agreements.

Zoning Report: C. Weinzapfel

Update on DeFaw property. ZBA met and elected all prior officers and set meeting dates. Update on recent planning commission amendments to the zoning ordinance.

Motion to approve Amendment 2018-06 by Cole/Atkinson

Roll call: Ball – yes; Cole – yes; Atkinson – yes; Bary – yes. Absent - Pharo
Motion carried. 4-0

Motion to approve Amendment 2018-07 and 2018-08 by Ball/Cole

Roll call: Cole – yes; Ball – yes; Bary – yes; Atkinson – yes; Absent - Pharo
Motion carried. 4-0

Planning Report: B. Hefferan

Two public hearings scheduled for tomorrow night.

Ambulance Report: Submitted

9 calls for April

Attorney's Report: B. Derman

Update on Maplehurst funding with the DNR. Expected legislation introduced for township assessing. Update on Betty Lane lawsuit. The Maplehurst survey is almost final.

Supervisor's Report: L. Bary

We received a bid to do a renovation on the skateboard park for 99K. With the current projects pending, we are not in the position to do this now.

A Paddle Antrim grant was received for \$1600 and the new kayak racks will be ordered.

Three estimates were received to change the lighting for township office building to LED. Elk Rapids Electric was \$5680. Shoreline was at \$6000. The emailed estimate from Zowara was not easy to read. We were unable to reach them for a re-submission of their bid. Considering that Shoreline provided more detail in their estimate. Overall is a better value.

Motion by Cole/Ball to accept the bid from Shoreline to replace the lights at the township office building. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Bob Kingon gave an update regarding the greenbelt at the Waterfront Park.

Bargy met with Heidi Shafer from Soil Erosion, regarding flooding on Severance Ave. We have several options available

Approval of Bills:

Motion to approve by Atkinson/Cole. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 8:40

These minutes are subject to approval of at the January meeting

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Ball
Milton Township Clerk