

Synopsis

Milton Township

Special Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2019

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

Also present: C. Weinzapfel, B. Kingon and J. Riegler

Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Sewer Extension Agreement: Review recommendations from Matt Zimmerman on the proposed Sewage Disposal Service Agreement.

1. Article 7.A. remove “to” third line.
2. Article 8. Audits to be mandatory. Will confirm time frame after communication with M. Zimmerman.
3. Arbitration/Mediation. Dispute resolution to be arbitration.
4. Exhibit “C” to be confirmed by M. Zimmerman
5. Benefit Charge. Milton will forgo the option to reserve capacity

Atkinson will forward recommendations to M. Zimmerman.

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Agreement Amendment:

Resolution #2019-16

The purpose of this amendment is to all modify the scope items as originally included in the grant agreement under the following section as itemized below.

1. Remove: Gathering area with fire pit and seating
2. Remove: Shower/Footwash component of this scope
3. Remove: Shelter

Motion by Atkinson/Pharo to approve **Resolution #2019-16** as presented. Motion carried.

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

Approved 5-0

Signage: Discussion on allowing advertising signage in the Township. C. Weinzapfel reviewed the signage ordinance and gave several points of interest. Following discussion, and review of the ordinance, the majority felt that it was not in the best interest to change policy.

Motion by Ball/Pharo to decline the request by Elk Rapids Youth Baseball League to allow advertising signage. Motion carried.

Peoples Fund Grant: L. Atkinson will be submitting a grant application to the People's Fund through Great Lakes Energy. Discussion on using the proposed grant on several park projects. Pickleball courts or drainage issues effecting the soccer and baseball fields.

T. Cole suggested using the grant money to repair the ballfields. Pharo, Ball, Atkinson and Cole were all in favor, if awarded, to use the grant for repairing the ballfields.

S. Ball spoke in favor of striping all the tennis courts for duel use. Tennis and Pickleball. This is the most cost efficient, and will allow everyone the use of both courts. If one court is closed for repair, there will still be another court for both sports. Cole, Pharo, Atkinson and Ball were in favor of duel striping both courts. Bargy was not in favor.

Health Department of NW Michigan Grant

Milton Twp., received \$3750 from the HDNWM. This money will be used for stone benches at Maplehurst. Atkinson has been in contact with Dean Crandle and Scott from GTRLC. Scott suggested several locations that will not impact the natural habitat of the trail system. The weight of the benches is a concern. Atkinson will contact Dean Crandle to determine the time and plan for installation.

Discussion on a new copier for the office. Atkinson received a quote from Dunn's Business Solutions. Ball suggested getting quotes on several brands for comparison. Atkinson will get information on Xerox. Ball will check with an equipment supplier in Traverse.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Theses minutes are subject to approval at the October 14, 2019 meeting. A copy of these minutes are available on line at miltontownship.org

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ball, Clerk