

Synopsis
Milton Township
Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2020

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

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

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

Agenda approved by consent

Approval of regular meeting minutes of February 10, 2020
Motion to approve L. Atkinson/B/ Pharo Motion carried.

Approval of special meeting minutes of March 7, 2020
Motion to approve L. Atkinson/B. Pharo. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Koa West, Zeek Bolde, Zack Rolf discussed their community service project. They would like to power wash the graffiti and clean-up the general area at the skate park in Milton Twp. They also discussed improving some of the ramps and jumps. The board was in favor of the clean-up, but the structural improvements would need to be commercial grade and with the approval from our risk management company.

Kelley Trammel asked about the paving of Stallman Road. Supervisor Bargy said it is scheduled for a base of gravel this year. Paving would be much more extensive work with trees needing to be cut within the 66ft right of way. Bargy will discuss the cost for paving with Burt from the Antrim County Road Commission.

County Commissioner Report: by Karin Bargy

Update about the ownership of the Torch River Bridge and the DNR Boat Launch. Next meeting is March 19, 2020 and it will be at Kerney Township Hall.

Sheriff's Report: by Sheriff Dan Bean

Sheriff Bean discussed the increase of identity theft and safeguarding your information. Update regarding incidents last year over this year. There was a total of 74 incidents in February. Ongoing discussion regarding the improvements needed for the jail. Look on the Antrim County website for updates and meetings.

Fire Department Report: by Chief J. Ball

5 runs for February, 15 for the year. Update on trucks sale and maintenance. Ball reported on personnel and would like to do training at Maplehurst. This will be discussed with the GT Regional Land Conservancy before giving approval.

Zoning Report: by C. Weinzapfel

The Planning Commission is rescheduled until next Tuesday the 17th at 7 pm. Bargy made the recommendation to appointment Bobb Ford until 2022 to replace Bruce Murphy on the Planning Commission.

Motion to recommend the appointment of Bobb Ford until 2022 by B. Pharo/S. Ball.
Motion carried.

Planning Report: by B. Hefferan

No report at this time. Subjects covered in the Zoning report.

Ambulance Report

No report at this time.

Attorney's Report: by B. Derman

Discussion of trail maintenance agreement with GT Regional Land Conservancy. Report on tower on township property. Update on zoning ordinance amendments.

Motion by B. Pharo/S. Ball to approve the agreement with GT Regional Land Conservancy for trail maintenance at Maplehurst. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report: by L. Bargy

Discussion of sewer agreement language. Pharo noted a change.

Motion by S. Ball/B. Pharo to approve the intergovernmental agreement between Elk Rapids and Milton Twp., relating to the sewer extension project. Motion carried.

There will be an informational meeting May 2, 2020 at 9 am for residents who live within the service area of sewer project. This meeting will take place at the Old Township Hall in Kewadin.

Milton Twp., received a grant from Great Lakes Energy for \$6,000 towards converting the tennis courts into pickleball courts. Also, contributions were received by Torch Lake Twp., Elk Rapids Twp., and Whitewater Twp. We still have a shortfall of \$2,000. We will contact the Pickleball group, to see if they will be willing to donate money towards the project.

Motion by L. Atkinson/B. Pharo to approve moving forward with the conversion of tennis courts on Cairn Hwy to pickleball courts. Motion carried.

Bargy discussed the agreement with Matt's Underground Utility Construction. I have the agreement here. They would like to start applying for permits, so the process can get started with the sewer extension. The cost is \$162,140. Motion to approve by L. Atkinson/B. Pharo. Motion carried.

Public Comment

No one wished to speak.

Approval of Bills

Motion to approve the bills by S. Ball/B. Pharo Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by order of the chair at 7:40 pm.

These minutes are subject to approval at the April 13, 2020 meeting. A copy of these minutes are available at miltontownship.org

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Ball, Clerk