

Elk Rapids Township Regular Meeting Minutes, April 10, 2018

The regular meeting of the Elk Rapids Township Board was held at the Elk Rapids Government Center located at 315 Bridge St. Elk Rapids. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Amos at 9:00 am. The meeting was recorded to provide accuracy.

Present: Supervisor Dorance Amos, Clerk Shelley Boisvert, Treasurer Mike Szymanski and Trustee Aaron Isenhart

Absent: Trustee Richard Hults

Also Present: B. Derman, Fire Chief VanDenBerge, B. Muma, A. Nordman and 4 members in the audience

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Public Comment:** Patty Niepoth, Antrim County Register of Deeds- she wanted to remind the Board and the people of the Township about the services they provide and mentioned that they have a lot on the website now.
3. **Approval of Meeting Agenda: MOTION/S: Szymanski/Boisvert** to approve the agenda as presented. **MOTION APPROVED.**
4. **Consent Agenda:**
 - A. March 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes
 - B. March 13, 2018 Budget Public Hearing Minutes
 - C. March 15, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes
 - D. Zoning Administrator's Report
 - E. Assessor Report
 - F. Treasurers Report
 - G. Paying of the Bills: General Fund- \$17,085.83, Fire & Rescue Fund - \$7,425.77, Road Fund - \$35,000.00.

Boisvert stated that there was a typo in the March 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes at item #12 and she will go in and change the word "and" to the word "as".

MOTION/S: Isenhart/Boisvert to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda as amended. Roll Call Vote: Isenhart, Szymanski, Amos and Boisvert all voting Yes, 0 No (Hults is absent) **MOTION APPROVED.**

5. **Budget Adjustments: MOTION/S: Boisvert/Isenhart** to approve the budget adjustments as presented. Roll Call Vote: Szymanski, Amos, Boisvert and Isenhart all voting Yes, 0 No. **MOTION APPROVED.**
6. **Sportsman Club:** Jill Auger-Global Environmental Engineering: The approval from the DEQ of the "No Further Action Report" was dated March 6, 2018. Auger recapped the clean-up process and all the reports submitted to the DEQ for the Sportsman Club property. She said that this was closed as a clean site. Szymanski stated that the Township has paid approximately \$551,000 for engineering and clean up at the Sportsman Club over the last eight to ten years. This amount did not include legal fees.
7. **Sheriff/Commissioner Report:** Sheriff report as submitted
8. **Ambulance Department: MMR:** Report as submitted
9. **Fire Department:** Chief VanDenBerge: Report as presented
 - A. Mutual Aid Agreement with Whitewater Township.
MOTION/S: Boisvert/ Szymanski to ratify and confirm the Mutual Aid Agreement with Whitewater Township as presented.. **MOTION APPROVED.**

10. **HERTHA Report:** Report as submitted.
11. **Township Sewer:**
 - A. **Construction Bills:** Total \$ 87,111.25
MOTION/S: Amos/Isenhart to approve payment of the invoice from Harbor Springs Excavating in the amount of \$87,111.25. Roll Call Vote: Amos, Boisvert, Szymanski and Isenhart all voting Yes, 0 No. **MOTION APPROVED**
 - B. **Maple Harbor Sewer Project Update:** Nordman said the contractor has been working on construction at the pump station and they have completed most of the borings.
 - C. **Birch Lake Sewer Maintenance:** Muma talked to Steuer Excavating about clearing the easement route of the sewer pipe to the pump station due to an over growth of shrubbery and weeds to make access to our lines easier. Performance is also looking at repairing and cleaning some manhole structures when funds are available.
12. **Zoning Administrator Contract:** Contract with Larry Nix for another year for Zoning Administrator duties. The proposed contract cost is the same as last year.
MOTION/S: Szymanski/Isenhart to approve the contract as presented. **MOTION APPROVED**
13. **Elk Rapids Internet Domain:** Several years ago Shen Smith, our web site provider had purchased the internet domains elkrapids.com, elkrapids.org and elkrapids.info.
The Village has used elkrapids.org but they need to make updates and expand their capabilities but found that their domain administrator was Bill White of Elk Rapids Township. The Village would like to continue to use elkrapids.org but change the administration for that domain from the Township to the Village so they can do what they need to do.
MOTION/S: Boisvert/Isenhart to allow the Village to take over their domain of elkrapids.org at their own expense. **MOTION APPROVED**
14. **Rycenga Island – No Wake Sign**
MOTION/S: Boisvert/ Szymanski to approve the sign proposed by the ELSA board that says “No Wake Zone” along with the name of the family who donated the island to the Township.
MOTION APPROVED
15. **Attorney Report:** As presented
16. **Township Board Announcements and Comments:**
Amos and Boisvert met with 365 Outdoor to discuss some maintenance at Maple Grove Cemetery this year utilizing our perpetual care fund.
17. **Adjourn: 10:27 am**