

## **Elk Rapids Township Regular Meeting Minutes, April 6, 2017**

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 11:00 am. The meeting was recorded to provide accuracy.

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

**Also Present:** B. Derman, Larry Nix, Deputy Fire Chief Williamson, A. Nordman and B. Muma (Performance Engineering) and 38 members in the audience.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Public Comment:** J. Muth-Birch Lake Sewer, re-establish the sewer commission (letter in packet), M. Wright, S. Yencich, P. Brady, C. Brady all regarding sewer at Birch Lake.
- 3. Approval of Meeting Agenda:** Motion/S: Boisvert/Hults to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION APPROVED.
- 4. Consent Agenda:**
  - A. March 14, 2017 Meeting Minutes
  - B. March 14, 2017 Budget Hearing Minutes
  - C. Treasurer's Report
  - D. Paying of the Bills: General Fund - \$8,654.45, Fire & Amb. Fund – \$1,845.61MOTION/S Isenhart/Szymanski to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda. Roll Call Vote: Hults, Isenhart, Szymanski, Amos and Boisvert all voting Yes, 0 No. MOTION APPROVED.
- 5. Sheriff/Commissioner Report:** as submitted
- 6. Ambulance Department:** Report: as presented.
- 7. Fire Department:** Deputy Chief Williamson: Report as presented
  - Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement: Motion/S: Boisvert/Isenhart to approve the Automatic Mutual Aid agreement between the Elk Rapids Fire Department, Milton Twp. Fire Dept., and the Torch Lake Fire Dept.: MOTION APPROVED.
- 8. HERTHA:** no report at this time.
- 9. Zoning Administrator Position: Larry Nix.** Motion/S: Szymanski/Hults to approve Mr. Nix as the new Zoning Administrator. MOTION APPROVED.
- 10. Sportsman Club: Global Engineering:** Jill Auger. Two areas at the Sportsman Club still contain non-hazardous soil above the clean-up level for lead. The cost estimate for this fiscal year for remedial activities is estimated to be \$22,570. Auger should know more by the end of May.
- 11. Birch Lake Sewer:** Presentation by Performance Engineering. Nordman and Muma had a power point presentation showing the research they completed on the existing Birch Lake sewer system. They submitted a five (5) year financial projection for the system.
  - Amendment to Birch Lake Services Agreement Between the Village of Elk Rapids and the Township of Elk Rapids. Motion/S: Szymanski/Hults to approve the agreement with the amendments to come in the future. Roll Call Vote: Hults, Isenhart, Szymanski, Amos, Boisvert all voting Yes, 0 No. MOTION APPROVED.

12. **Maple Harbor Sewer:** Performance Engineering pulled together a conceptual project estimate for a gravity sewer system for the Maple Harbor area in the amount of \$318,751. The Township will meet with the property owners sometime in May to look at the project if the owners want to continue with the project.
13. **Traverse City to Charlevoix Trail:** Resolution 2016-5 in support of the trail.  
This was addressed at the March Township Board meeting with a vote to rescind the resolution at this time due to property owner concerns. The Township placed this subject on the agenda for this April meeting to formally address it again.  
Motion/S: Szymanski/Hults to rescind Resolution 2016-5 until landowners agree and a financial plan is submitted to the Township for their approval. Roll Call Vote: Isenhart-No, Szymanski-Yes, Amos-Yes, Boisvert-No, Hults-Yes. MOTION APPROVED.
14. **Payment of Extra Bills:** Boisvert received additional bills to be paid for the month of April and since this meeting changed to an earlier date than normal requested approval to pay the following vendors along with the bills listed on the Consent Agenda: Global Environmental \$685.20, Antrim County Treasurer \$140.61, Consumers Energy \$89.17, and Larry Nix \$325.00 totaling \$1,239.98.  
Motion/S: Boisvert/Szymanski to approve the additional bills. Roll Call Vote: Szymanski, Amos, Boisvert, Hults, Isenhart all Voting Yes, 0 No, MOTION APPROVED.
15. **Attorney's Report:** as presented
16. **Township Board Announcements and Comments:**
  - Green ER display coming to the Gov. Center lobby April 28 – May 5.
  - Green ER Recycling on May 13, 2017
  - Hazardous Waste Pick Up May 14, 2017 9:00 – 1:00 at DPW Garage
  - Road Projects coming up: Lakeshore, Sunset Shore and Herman Road.
17. **Public Comment:** M. Wright - Birch Lake panels. P. Brady - Birch Lake, old maintenance plan from 1996 from Gosling Czubak.
18. **Adjourn: 1:52 pm**

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Shelley Boisvert, Elk Rapids Township Clerk, 231-264-9333  
Meeting minutes are subject to approval at the next regular Board Meeting