

Elk Rapids Township Regular Meeting Minutes, January 10, 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 7:00 pm. 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, L. Harrett, Fire Chief VanDenBerge, J. Lata-MMR, 6 members in the audience.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Public Comment:** none at this time
3. **Approval of Meeting Agenda:** Motion/S: Boisvert/Szymanski to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION APPROVED.
4. **Consent Agenda:**
 - A. December 13, 2016 Minutes
 - B. Zoning Administrator's Report
 - C. Annual Zoning Report
 - D. Treasurer's Report
 - E. Paying of the Bills: General Fund - \$36,148.11, Fire & Amb. Fund – \$6,963.54
Boisvert mentioned that an amount of \$1,611.00 for MTA Conference registration was added to the general fund claims after printing of the packet and would like that included in the total.
MOTION/S Isenhart/Szymanski approve all the items on the Consent Agenda including the additional amount. Roll Call Vote: Isenhart, Szymanski, Amos and Boisvert all voting Yes, 0 No. (Hults is absent) MOTION APPROVED.
5. **Assessor's Report:** as submitted
 - Alternative Start Date for Board of Review: March 14, 2017.
MOTION/S Boisvert/Szymanski to approve the new start date for the Board of Review to March 14, 2017. MOTION APPROVED.
6. **Sheriff/Commissioner Report:** as submitted
7. **Ambulance Department:** John Lata: Report: as presented.
8. **Fire Department:** Chief VanDenBerge: Report as presented.
 - Paul Heeke was selected as the Fire Departments Explorer of the Year.
 - Fire Board Appointees will be brought back to the Board next month.
9. **HERTHA:** no report at this time.
10. **District Library:** Jane Lund was introduced as one of the Township appointees to the Library Board.

11. **Elk Rapids Power Dam Update:** Mark Stone was unable to attend the meeting as planned so there was no report or update at this time.
12. **Engineering Request for Proposals:** Five proposals were submitted for Engineering Services: Gosling Czubak, Gourdie Fraser, Wade Trim, Performance Engineers and C2ae. MOTION/S Isenhart/Boisvert to move forward with the interview process with Gosling Czubak, Gourdie Fraser, and Performance Engineering. MOTION APPROVED.
A special meeting will be set for Monday, February 13th starting at 8:00 am for interviews.
13. **Birch Lake Sewer:** Brad Kluczynski, Village DPW Superintendent discussed the current Birch Lake sewer system and the capacity that remains in the lines and at the pump station.
14. **Sportsman Club:** A year end summary report was submitted by Global Engineering. The Township should be able to complete the remediation/clean-up process in 2017.
15. **Attorney's Report:** as presented
16. **Township Board Announcements and Comments:**
 - A survey and maintenance for the Cemetery is currently being discussed for next year.
17. **Public Comment:** none at this time
18. **Adjourn: 8:00 pm**

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