

Elk Rapids Township Regular Meeting Minutes, April 10, 2023

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, and Trustee Richard Hults

Absent: Treasurer Mike Szymanski and Trustee Matt Soper

Also Present: B. Derman, Chief Williamson, L. Nix and 2 members signed in as audience.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 2. **Public Comments:** Mr. Weber, who was appointed to take Treasurer Szymanski's place as of May 1, 2023 introduced himself to the people attending the meeting.
 3. **Approval of Meeting Agenda: Hults/Amos** to approve the agenda as presented. **MOTION APPROVED.**
 4. **Consent Agenda:**
 - A. March 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes
 - B. March 13, 2023 Budget Hearing Minutes
 - C. March 27, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
 - D. Zoning Administrator's Report
 - E. Treasurers Report
 - F. Paying of the Bills: General Fund- \$40,485.20, Fire Fund - \$4,248.47
- MOTION/S: Boisvert/ Hults** to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda. Roll Call Vote: Hults, Amos, and Boisvert all voting Yes, 0 No **MOTION APPROVED.** (Szymanski and Soper were absent)
5. **Sheriff:** Under Sheriff Hoch: As reported
County Commissioner: B. Hefferan: General update
 6. **Ambulance Department:** MMR – Report as submitted
 7. **Fire Department:** Chief Williamson: Report as presented
 8. **Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council – Presentation: Anna Watson:** Elk Lake Water Quality
According to the presentation, based on monitoring and sampling the overall health of Elk Lake looked good. Boisvert asked where samples are usually taken during monitoring. Watson stated testing is normally near the middle of the lake. Boisvert commented that if there were issues at the deepest part of the lake it may be too late to address. Watson left some pamphlets and materials for viewing.
 9. **Orchard View Condo Project:** *Tabled from last meeting.* L. Nix mentioned some issues in the documents that our zoning ordinance required. McKellar (C-Farm Condo) and Easton (MDHOA) were present. Easton will send around the revised agreement to the property owners. If documentation is provided to Nix's satisfaction the Township Board is willing to hold a special meeting for approval so permitting for the road can begin. **MOTION/S: Hults/Amos** to extend this subject as Tabled for now. **MOTION APPROVED.**
 10. **Township Sewer:** Construction Bills: Varnum Law: \$986.00
MOTION/S: Boisvert/Amos to approve payment to Varnum Law. Roll Call Vote: Amos, Boisvert and Hults all voting Yes, 0 No **MOTION APPROVED.** (Szymanski and Soper were absent)
 11. **Attorney's Report:** as reported

12. Township Board Announcements and Correspondence:

- Amos mentioned that he has been speaking with Matt Morrissey from The Traverse City Horse Shows. We would like to help facilitate a public meeting/open house for the municipalities in this area. The presentation would be about what they are doing, what might be expected for the future and how that may affect all of us. Since we are doing master planning, we felt this would be helpful. Possible dates for this presentation would be between May 22nd and May 25th. Our Board stated that Thursday the 25th would work best at this point.

Adjourned: 10:16 am

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