

## **Elk Rapids Township Regular Meeting Minutes, July 9, 2019**

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, Treasurer Mike Szymanski, Trustee Richard Hults, Trustee Aaron Isenhart and Clerk Shelley Boisvert

**Also Present:** B. Derman, Chief Williamson, A. Nordman, 11 members in the audience.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Public Comments:** D. Hanley-E. Harbor Dr.: Geese possible source of large e-coli readings
3. **Approval of Meeting Agenda: MOTION/S: Hults/Isenhart** to approve the agenda as presented.  
**MOTION APPROVED.**
4. **Consent Agenda:**
  - A. June 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes
  - B. Zoning Report
  - C. Treasurers Report
  - D. Paying of the Bills: General Fund - \$31,114.93, Fire & Rescue Fund - \$24,975.85.

**MOTION/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:** No report at this time
6. **Ambulance Department: MMR:** Report as submitted.
7. **Fire Department:** Chief Williamson: as Reported
8. **HERTHA:** T. Vranich-Requests a letter of recommendation from the Board that they can submit with a grant request for the window project.  
Quotes were received for masonry work at HERTHA. **MOTION/S: Isenhart/Hults** to approve masonry repair costs up to \$7,500 for this fiscal year. Roll Call Vote: Isenhart, Szymanski, Amos, Boisvert and Hults all voting Yes,0 No **MOTION APPROVED.**
9. **Maple Grove Cemetery Update:** Special meeting at 4:00 pm today to go over the proposed project and millage request.
10. **Farm Land and Open Space Development Rights:** G. Chown and L. Rigan, of the GT Land Conservancy talked about the proposed ballot initiative for farm land and open space development rights. Elk Rapids Township has approximately 1,200 acres of farmland. Chown stated that there are matching funds available through the Federal Farmland Protection program but that needs a 50% match from the municipality. There is also State funding available for municipalities along with private donations.
11. **Township Sewer: Maple Harbor Sewer -** A 4" drain pipe was installed on Terrace Drive as an overflow for the existing road drain in coordination with the Antrim Co. Road Commission.

- 12. Township/Wilcox Park:** Quit-Claim Deed to Wilcox Heirs. No further information at this time.
- 13. Acme to Charlevoix Trail Update:** The proposed trail route plan was submitted to the Village Council showing the best route at this time from Acme to Elk Rapids going down the west side of US 31 North. The Village will review the options within the Village limits to determine the best route from that point.
- 14. Attorney Report:** As reported.
- 15. Township Board Announcements and Comments:**
  - Clearwater Point Road resurfacing should be completed now
  - The District Library is hosting a 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the Island House Library on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 pm on the library grounds.

**Adjourned: 10:04 AM**

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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