

## **Elk Rapids Township Regular Meeting Minutes, August 9, 2016**

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 Clerk Boisvert at 7:00 pm and the meeting was turned over to Trustee Amos to run. The meeting was recorded to provide accuracy.

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

**Absent:** Supervisor Bill White

**Also Present:** B. Derman, L. Harrett, Chief VanDenBerge, J. Lata-MMR, and 4 members in the audience.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Public Comment:** none at this time
- 3. Approval of Meeting Agenda:** Motion/S: Szymanski/Isenhart to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION APPROVED.
- 4. Consent Agenda:**
  - A. July 12, 2016 Minutes
  - B. Zoning Administrator's Report
  - C. Treasurer's Report
  - D. Paying of the Bills: General Fund - \$14,264.05, Fire & Amb. Fund – \$12,559.75MOTION/S Isenhart/Boisvert to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda. Roll Call Vote: Isenhart, Szymanski, Amos and Boisvert all voting Yes, 0 No. (White is absent) MOTION APPROVED.
- 5. Assessor's Report:** as submitted  
Discussion on upcoming Antrim County meeting regarding the Service Agreement between the County and the Townships. There were some Equalization issues this past year that may generate some changes in the new agreement.
- 6. Sheriff/Commissioner Report:** as presented
- 7. Ambulance Department:** John Lata: Reports as presented.
  - A. Ambulance Accounts Receivable Fund:** Motion/S: Szymanski/Boisvert to write off old billing collections debt currently in the amount \$44,055.19 that had been turned over to Ann Arbor Professional Services for collection. Roll Call Vote: Szymanski, Amos, Boisvert, and Isenhart all voting Yes, 0 No. MOTION APPROVED.
- 8. Fire Department:** Chief VanDenBerge: Report as presented.
  - A. Petty Cash Fund:** Motion/S: Szymanski/Boisvert to set up a Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$200.00 for the Fire Department. MOTION APPROVED.
- 9. HERTHA Report:** No report from HERTHA at this time but Szymanski mentioned that Saturday is the HERTHA and Historical Museum Founders Day celebration.

**10. Attorney's Report:** In his report, Attorney Derman talked about a Land Division request that was received and approved by the Township that would split a portion of parcel 05-06-015-030-00 owned by Kreuze in to two (2) pieces. Also pending is a request for a Land Merger Agreement to merge that portion split off with parcel 05-06-015-045-00 owned by McCririe. Motion/S: Isenhart/Szymanski to approve the proposed Land Merger Agreement. MOTION APPROVED.

**11. Township Board Announcements and Comments:**

- Szymanski spoke about the rising cost of maintenance on pump stations for the Birch Lake Sewer System. He will be meeting with the Village DPW Superintendent to discuss projected costs and a possible maintenance schedule to be pro-active.
- Boisvert said there was another committee meeting on Maple Harbor sewer. An informational packet will be mailed and an evening meeting currently scheduled for August 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm has been set to address questions residents may have regarding the possible extension of sewer to their area.
- Boisvert also mentioned that information requested from Global Engineering on the remaining cost and scheduled work to be done at the Sportsman Club would be addressed at the September meeting.

**12. Public Comment:** none at this time

**13. Adjourn: 7:47 pm**