

GERRISH TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
June 13, 2017

Regular meeting called to order at 7:30pm at the Municipal Center. Present: Supervisor Udy, Clerk Patchin, Treasurer Tulgetske, Trustee Lippert and Trustee Link. Also present: 30 plus citizens.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion by Link, supported by Tulgetske: CARRIED

That the agenda be approved as presented with the following changes: add #13 under New Business: Maplehurst Dock Association DEQ request. Moving #6 Commercial Noise and Amplified Sound Ordinance from New Business to Unfinished Business

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Opened at 7:30pm

Eric Ostergren shared his disappointment in his redacted FOIA and noted his appeal was on the agenda. Eric Ostergren also stated the Policy and Procedures for a FOIA were not up to date.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Lippert, second by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the Consent Agenda is approved as presented.

REPORTS: (See attached) a. Trustee Lippert b. Trustee Link c. Treasurer Tulgetske d. Clerk Patchin e. Supervisor Udy

New Business:

1. Land split-combination request from Hamburg
2. Assessor Contract
3. Appraiser Contract
4. Roscommon County foreclosed properties
5. Michigan Township Board of Directors Ballot
6. Commercial Noise and Amplified Sound Ordinance***Moved to Unfinished Business
7. Resignation of Deputy Clerk Carmany
8. Advertise for Planning Commission members
9. Purchase of copy machine for Township and Fire Department
10. Authorization for Planning Commission to contact Mark Eidelson, AICP Land Plan
11. FOIA Denial Appeal-Eric Ostergren
12. Hire of Robert Rousselo for Gerrish Township Fire Department
- ****13. ADDED.... Maplehurst Dock Association DEQ request

Unfinished Business:

1. Commercial Noise and Amplified Sound Ordinance

1. Motion by Patchin, supported by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the Board authorize the land split request from Doris C. Hamburg for parcel 004-025-004-0100 and the two combination requests of newly split property to 004-025-004-0040 and 004-025-004-0080 as presented.

2. Motion by Patchin, supported by Lippert: CARRIED
that the Board offer a 2 year Assessor Contract to Karleen Helmrich for July 1, 2017 through March 31, 2019 for \$41,200 annually contingent upon attorney approval of contract.

Roll Call: Ayes: Patchin, Udy, Tulgetske, Lippert, Link
Nays: None

3. Motion by Patchin, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the Board offer a 1 year Appraisal Contract to Michael Houserman for 2017 for \$21,230 annually. Contract includes the 20% State recommended quantity for inspection. Contract to be reviewed annually. Appraisal Contract is contingent upon attorney approval of contract.

Roll Call: Ayes: Link, Lippert, Tulgetske, Patchin, Udy
Nays: None

4. Motion by Tulgetske, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the board authorize clerk Patchin to send notification to Roscommon County that Gerrish Township has no intention of purchasing the tax foreclosed properties listed in our jurisdiction for 2017

5. Motion by Patchin, supported by Udy: CARRIED
that the Board authorize Clerk Patchin to cast a vote on behalf of Gerrish Township for Joanne Donaldson for the Michigan Township Participating Plan Board of Directors representative for Zone 4.

6. Commercial Noise and Amplified Sound Ordinance MOVED TO UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

7. Motion by Patchin, supported by Lippert: CARRIED
that the Board accept the resignation of Kristen Carmany as Gerrish Township Deputy Clerk with much appreciation for her time and dedication. Effective May 25, 2017.

8. Motion by Lippert, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the Board Authorize Clerk Patchin to advertise for an opening on the Planning Commission. Applications will be accepted until July 3, 2017 4:00pm

9. Motion by Tulgetske, supported by Udy: CARRIED
that the Board Authorize the purchase for the Ricoh MPC3004 copy machine in the amount of \$6,680.40. Cost will be distributed in the following: Township portion \$4,453.60 Fire/EMS portion \$2,226.80.

10. Motion by Patchin, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the Board Authorize the Planning Commission to write down their questions they would like to address to Mark Eidelson, AICP, Landplan Inc. regarding the Zoning Ordinance. Questions should be submitted to Clerk Patchin in order to receive an accurate estimate of services from Mark Eidelson.

11. Motion by Tulgetske, supported by Lippert: CARRIED
that the Board Authorize Clerk Patchin to send notification to Eric Ostergren upholding the disclosure denial given by Attorney Scott Hess for FOIA dated May 19, 2017.

Roll Call: Ayes: Patchin, Tulgetske, Lippert, Link
Nays: Udy

12. Motion by Lippert, supported by Udy: CARRIED
that the Board Authorize Chief Lippert to change employment status of Robert Russelo from non-compensated trainee to an on-call, part time, fire fighter position with the Gerrish Township Fire Department. Employment contingent upon successful completion of physical, background and drug testing.

13. Motion by Patchin, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the Board Authorize Clerk Patchin to send a letter to Maplehurst Dock Association giving Maplehurst Dock Association authorization to apply for a DEQ permit and conduct work at Maplehurst Drive road end.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: 8:00pm

Chief Hill recognized Sgt. Patchin for his 25th Anniversary and Officer Muszynki for his 11th Anniversary with Gerrish Township Police Department. Chief Hill was also recognized for his 35th Anniversary. Thank you for your dedication to our community. Eric Ostergren shared his disappointment in the denial of his FOIA appeal noting he would be taking it to court. Eric Ostergren also shared his disappointment in Tom Kizer's complaint filed against Supervisor Udy. Jean Lawrence wanted to thank Gerrish Township Police Department. Karen Eihinger recommended the June 24th class being put on by HLF and also noted that Michigan is the only state that does not have a state wide septic ordinance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Vicki Springstead announced that the Higgins Lake Foundation is doing a septic pump promotion called *Neighborhood Pump*. This allows for reduced rates for septic pump services by servicing a neighborhood. Higgins Lake Foundation is also holding a seminar Saturday June 24th 9am to 3pm, *You and Your Lake: Life on the Lake* at the RAM Center. For more information on these events, visit www.higginslake-foundation.org Roscommon Transit Authority will be giving a presentation on their services at our Regular Board Meeting July 11th. Gerrish Township wants to remind everyone it is a good idea to get your septic tanks pumped and water tested. June 17th is the Sunrise Run. Tax bills will be sent out the first week in July. June 24th is the Houghton Lake Relay for Life.

Motion by Lippert, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the board adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm

Kathleen Patchin, Clerk

David Udy, Supervisor

Approved