

Gerrish Township Board  
Summary of Regular Meeting  
November 10, 2015

Regular meeting called to order at 7:30 pm at the Municipal Center. Present: Supervisor Homola, Clerk Patchin, Treasurer Tulgetske, Trustee Link and Trustee Lippert. Also present: 37+ citizens.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Opened at 7:30 pm: None

-Chief Lippert presented John Patchin with the 2015 Michigan Northern Regional Instructor of the year award.

MOTIONS MADE AND CARRIED:

-Approve agenda as presented.

-Approve consent agenda.

- Appointment of Kristi Gilliam as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant for the Gerrish Township Fire Department with an annual salary of \$2,376.40. Effective November 10, 2015.

-Appointment of Brandon Rodgers as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant for the Gerrish Township Fire Department with an annual salary of \$2,376.40. Effective November 10, 2015.

-Authorize a 5 year renewal for compost site services with Higgins Lake Landscaping. Season is April 1 through December 31 for the following years: 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020. The 2016 rate will be \$7,293 yearly with a 3% increase each year.

-Accept the resignation of Michael McManamon with much appreciation for his 10 years of service.

-Authorize Clerk Patchin to advertise a position for the Gerrish Township Planning Commission.

-Authorization to change the previously scheduled meeting dates to accommodate the March 8, 2016 Presidential Primary Election:

New Meeting Schedule

March 2016 work session....February 25, 2016

March 2016 Regular Board Meeting...March 1, 2016

March General Fund Budget Hearing....March 1, 2016

135<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Electors...March 1, 2016

-Authorize North Central Survey to survey the 20 acres of the new park for a total cost of \$1,485.00.

-Authorize Building and Zoning Administrator Jason Janson to send letter recommending the State license renewal for Wagon Wheel Estates.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: Opened 7:50pm

-Eric Ostergren inquired on status of the questions he previously submitted at the October Board Meeting. He stated that Ed Nellist of Lyon Township rejected an idea of an online survey. Inquired on a Public Hearing before applying for an expansion on current Gerrish Township permit.

-Bill Case commended the Gerrish Township Board as they approach the final stages of establishing a Septic and Well Ordinance being worked on diligently by the Planning Commission. He noted that 17 years ago an advisory committee was established to address the sewer issues on the lake. He also thanked Rick Meeks for providing information and guidance.

-Jean Lawrence wanted to commend Higgins Lake Landscaping on their compost site work.

-Fred Palm inquired if a joint meeting was scheduled between the boards. He also inquired about a copy of the permit.

-Tom Kizer was impressed with the progress made last season with Northpoint. He expressed concerns with so much money being placed in scientific research with Sicon and questioned when Sicon was on the lake.

-Eric Ostergren wanted to point out that Tom Kizer is on the Gerrish Township Zoning Board of Appeals

-Linda Brick inquired about funding for any or both programs being an issue.

-Bob Wagner informed that Sicon representatives were staying at his residence on April 15, 2015.

-Ken Dennings also stating Sicon was on the lake April 15<sup>th</sup> and restated his suggestion for a date modification on the lethal take and harassment portion.

-Chuck Brick inquired on who would be in the meeting that will be set up with Northpoint and Sicon.

Trustee Lippert suggested that just the two contractors be present.

-Fred Palm inquired on how the Northpoint lethal take and harassment was funded for the 2015 program.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Roscommon County Ambulance Holiday Food Drive, November 14th, 2015 10:00am to 4:00pm. Drop off to the Gerrish Township Ambulance in front of fire hall.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Kathleen Patchin, Clerk

Subject to Board Approval



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