

GERRISH TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
March 14, 2017

Regular meeting called to order at 7:35pm at the Municipal Center. Present: Supervisor Udy, Clerk Patchin, Treasurer Tulgetske, Trustee Link and Trustee Lippert. Also present: 53 citizens.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion by Link, supported by Lippert: CARRIED
That the agenda be approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Opened at 7:35pm

Ken Dennings asked the Board to consider not using US Fish and Wildlife Service Permit MB56627B-2 referring to the letter from the HLPOA, HLLC and HLEEC also asking that the nesting boxes be removed. Ken Dennings submitted a proposal from Curt Blankespoor of Swimmer's Itch Solutions, LLC regarding the Permit MB56627B-2. Proposal added to March Correspondence (j). Ethan Brand stated he felt the conflict between Northpoint and Sicon regarding approach to swimmer's itch was an unnecessary conflict and he supported Gerrish Township using the permit with Northpoint. Tom Kizer shared his support for the Northpoint Swimmer's Itch program. Jean Lawrence shared her support for the duck houses that were placed in wooded areas. Ethan Brand shared his concerns if the marina bathrooms were to close for winter, a port a potty should be placed. Sheryl Isenstein shared her support for Northpoint Swimmer's Itch program. Ken Dennings inquired about the direction of the Septic Ordinance

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Patchin, second by Lippert: CARRIED
that the Consent Agenda is approved as presented with the additional correspondence of h. Wheeler re: support of Gerrish Township Board i. Hughes re: support of the Gerrish Township Board j. Proposal from Curtis Blankespoor, Swimmer's Itch solutions.

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

New Business:

1. Gerrish Township Police Citation Award
2. Gerrish Township Fire Department Full Time Fire/Medic Position
3. Gerrish Township medical insurance plan
4. Gerrish Township Assessor Contract
5. Land split request-Townsend
6. Land split request-Decker
7. Deputy Clerk appointment
8. 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act
9. 2017-2018 Compensation Schedule
10. 2017-2018 General Fund Budget

NEW BUSINESS

1. Chief Hill presented a Citation Award to Officer Labonte for his lifesaving efforts displayed June 2016.

2. Motion by Lippert supported by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the Board authorize the job description for the Gerrish Township Paramedic/Firefighter full time positon.

2(a). Motion by Lippert, supported by Patchin: CARRIED
that the Board authorize the changes in the Gerrish Township employee handbook for 145.150 to be changed from Full-Time Firefighter to Full-Time Firefighters/EMS reflecting overtime pay per the Wage and Hour Division Labor Act Sections 553.230-553.233 also changing section 145.160 to Full Time Fire fighters/EMS

2(b). Motion by Lippert, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the Board authorize Chief Lippert to seek applicants and interview for 2 Paramedic/Firefighter full time positions.

3. Motion by Patchin, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the board authorize Clerk Patchin to change medical insurances to the Priority Health HSA 1350 2-Tier with partial funding towards the HSA from Gerrish Township and renew the current Delta Dental PPO and EyeMed Custom Vision Plan. Effective May 1, 2017

4. Motion by Patchin, supported by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the board extent the Assessing Contract to Karleen Helmreich of Municipal Assessment Services, LLC to June 30, 2017.

4a. Motion by Patchin, supported by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the board authorize Clerk Patchin to seek bids for Assessing Contract. Bids will be accepted until April 21, 2017 at 4:00pm.

5. Motion by Patchin, supported by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the Board approve the parcel split request for 004-034-005-0100 as presented requested by Earl Townsend

6. Motion by Patchin, supported by Lippert: CARRIED
that the Board approve the parcel split request for 004-800-260-0000 as presented requested by Gail Decker.

7. Motion by Patchin, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the Board accept the deputy wage training rate of \$10.15 hourly for Annette Kirkpatrick. Wage will be adjusted May 26^h to current beginning level of the 2017-2018 Compensation Schedule.

8. Motion by Patchin, supported by Tulgetske: CARRIED
that the board adopt the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act.
Roll call: Ayes: Udy, Link, Lippert, Tulgetske, Patchin
Nays: None

9. Motion by Lippert, supported by Link: CARRIED
that the board adopt the 2017-2018 Compensation Schedule.
Roll call: Ayes: Patchin, Tulgetske, Link, Lippert, Udy
Nays: None

10. Motion by Tulgetske, supported by Lippert: CARRIED
that the board adopt the 2017-2018 General Fund Budget as presented
Roll call: Ayes: Link, Lippert, Udy, Patchin, Tulgetske
Nays: None

Unfinished Business

1. US Fish and Wildlife Service Permit MB56627B-2

1a. Motion by Udy

that the board not authorize any use for the 3rd year of the US Fish and Wildlife Service Permit MB56627B-2. Motion died due to lack of second

1b. Motion by Lippert, supported by Link: CARRIED

that for 2017, Gerrish Township continues with the Federal Fish and Wildlife Special purpose permit MB56627B-2 authorizing the lethal take of common merganser ducks and destruction of nests as defined in the permit. It is not Gerrish Township's intent to remove Sicon LLC from Higgins Lake, but to join forces for a better Higgins Lake. The 2017 program, using Northpoint Fisheries as the contractor and contingent upon Northpoint Fisheries securing funding in the forms of grants and donations. This motion is in no way intended nor implies that Gerrish Township has any financial responsibilities for this project.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ken Melvin stated that he missed the ice-skating rink this winter at the marina and has hopes it will be back in place next year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Historical Society located in downtown Roscommon is looking for additional members
- ACT Now will be hosting a Detroit Tiger's Opening Day fundraiser at Fred's of Roscommon on April 7th, 1:00pm till game is over. ACT NOW will hold their Community Meeting on April 17th, 7:00pm Municipal Building

Motion by Lippert, supported by Link: CARRIED

that the board adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm

Kathleen Patchin, Clerk

David Udy, Supervisor

Approved