



Milton Township

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**Minutes for Milton Township Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Milton Township Hall - 32097 Bertrand St., Niles, MI
Tuesday May 16, 2017 7:00P.M.**

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm and the pledge was recited.

Members Present: Supervisor Robert Benjamin, Treasurer Susan Flowers, Clerk Steve Sante, Trustee Eric Renken

Members Absent: Trustee Kelly Sweeney

Community Reports

Planning Commission

Roger Kempton reports that the P.C. will be meeting in two weeks to work on the master plan.

Other Committee Chairs

NATS

Flowers reports that there was no NATS meeting for this month.

SMCAS:

Renken reports that the budget is looking good and the audit is complete for the previous fiscal year. Renken did report that \$800,000 is owed to the defined benefit plan.

Election Commission:

Sante reported that the Edwardsburg School election went smoothly.

Other Visiting Officials

Sherriff Behnke provided information on the law enforcement that was done in the Township over the previous weekend. A lengthy discussion occurred.

Anyone Wishing To Speak To The Board

None

Board Member Comments

Sante reported that the Auditors would be at the Township Hall on the last two days of May to conduct their audit of the previous fiscal year.

Benjamin reported that the clean-up day went smoothly. Also, the ZA is now working on blight issues in the township. One resident thanked the board for the clean-up day.

Benjamin reported that one resident was upset about mining that is occurring on Bertrand Road. The Z.A. is trying to work through the issues with the property owner and the township attorney.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Motion: Renken made a motion to approve the March 21st public hearing minutes as presented

Second: Sante

Discussion: None

All Voted Yes

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Renken made a motion to approve the March 21st regular meeting minutes as presented

Second: Flowers

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Sante made a motion to approve the April 17 regular meeting minutes as revised

Second: Renken

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Renken made a motion to approve the April 24th special meeting minutes as presented

Second: Flowers

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Business With Attendees

Cass County Sheriff's Presentation

Sheriff Behnke presented information on the "Smart 911" system that the county will be using. A lengthy discussion occurred.

Old Business

Rental Updates

Benjamin reports there is no update on the Great Hall flooring. He went on to say that the Enbridge event that was hosted by the township was successful.

Multi-Use Path Update

None Provided

Playground

Benjamin reports that the Grant request is ready to be delivered which will be used to cover the costs of new mulch in the playground area. He went on to say once the project proceeds, multiple quotes should be obtained.

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to recess for fifteen minutes at 7:40 pm.

Second: Renken

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting was back in session at 7:55pm.

Appointment of P.C. Members

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to appoint Roger Kempton to the P.C. with a start date of July 1, 2017.

Second: Renken

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to appoint Scott Kretchman to the P.C. with a start date of July 1, 2017.

Second: Renken

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Appoint New ZBA Member

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to accept the resignation from the ZBA of Jeremy Clanton.

Second: Renken

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to appoint Paul Romanetz to the ZBA to fill out the Clanton term.

Second: Flowers

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to appoint Bob Zilliak to the ZBA as a full time member.

Second: Renken

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to appoint Virginia Kraft to the ZBA as a full time member.

Second: Renken

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to appoint Patty Carr to the ZBA with a start date of July 1st, 2017.
Second: Renken
Discussion: None
Motion Carried Unanimously

Review Of Township Budget

Motion: Budget resolution 2017-10R was made as follows:

OTH Gas	+\$46.64
Groundskeeper	+\$524.00
Election Wages	+122.00
General Fund	-\$692.64

Second: Sante
Discussion: None
Roll Call: Flowers Yes, Renken Yes, Sante Yes, Benjamin Yes
Motion Carried Unanimously

Financial Reports

Flowers reports that the township funds total \$596,316.99.

Approval of Checks

Motion: Sante made a motion to approve the checks as written with the following addition:

Nick Williamson \$235.00

Second: Flowers
Discussion: None
Roll Call: Flowers Yes, Renken Yes, Sante Yes, Benjamin Yes
Motion Carried Unanimously

Adjournment

Motion: Flowers made a motion to adjourn at 8:15pm.
Second: Renken
Discussion: None
Motion carried unanimously