

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Unapproved MEETING MINUTES
JULY 11TH, 2024

CALL TO ORDER by Edson Forrester at 7:05 pm

ROLL CALL Skeans Yes, Roach Yes, Bean Yes, Forrester Yes

Absent: Gomery

Pledge of Allegiance

Amendments to agenda: 2 changes recommended one from zoning board of appeals for bylaws to be accepted. And one from planning to review the master plan.

Motion by Forrester second by Roach to accept amendments under old business.

All in favor say Aye motion carried 4 Yes 0 No

Review of meeting minutes (Special Meeting June 30th)

Motion by Skeans, second by Forrester to approve June 30th, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes All in favor say Aye motion carried 4 yes 0 No

CLERKS REPORT: Clerk Roach explained the difficulties of BSNA software and is getting a grasp of it. Absentee ballots were mailed. Finding a deputy clerk has been troublesome.

TRESURERS REPORT: Treasurer Bean explained that summer taxes are well underway and are now collecting payments. She also explained the total amounts in all the township accounts as of this time.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Supervisor Forrester explained how busy of a month it's been getting annual meeting together and getting the budget done.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS: Clerk Roach stated June Bills Payroll was 34,915.86 Bills were 59,587.73 Total: 94,503.59

Motion by Bean second by Skeans to pay the bills for the month of June in the amount of 94,503.59 Roll Call vote Skeans Yes, Bean Yes, Roach Yes, Forrester Yes

CORRESPONDANCE/RCOGNITION/ANNOUNCEMENTS: Nothing was presented

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bridget Nodurft brought up the public can't always hear the board and recommends fixing our audio equipment.

Deb Skeans also commented on a Superfund site and getting water samples done but letting the people do their own sampling. Supervisor Forrester said the township has water testing kits available.

Departments/Committee Reports Fire Department no reports

EMS: presented by Supervisor Forrester; Director Gray reported all emergency calls during June were responded to by Whitefish Emergency Services. The resignation of Judy Griebel was recognized and accepted. Judy and John Griebel are moving to New Mexico. Let her be recognized as a wonderful and caring person to all the community. An updated EMS roster was presented to the Board.

Motion by Forrester second by Roach to accept updated EMS roster for file.

All in favor say Yes 4 Yes 0 No

NEMSA: no reports.

Zoning Board of appeals: Skeans reported they had a meeting on Tuesday July 9th

Library: no reports **Blight Report:** no reports

Planning Commission: Packet for the Master Plan

Guest Speaker: Robert Laitinen Manager for Chippewa County Road Commission spoke about different projects happening in the communities.

OLD BUSINESS

Zoning board of appeals by-laws were approved at Tuesday July 9th Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting. Motion by Forrester, second by Roach to approve the bylaws presented by the Zoning board of appeals. Roll Call vote Skeans Yes, Roach Yes, Bean Yes, Forrester Yes.

Master Plan was approved at the Planning commission on July 10th and to be presented to the board for action. Motion by Skeans, second by Bean to delay until survey is completed and included. Discussion: Skeans expressed to delay until survey is done. Forrester expressed to approve this plan as it's been 10 years. Then task the Planning Commission to start a new draft to include a survey. Motion on floor to delay until survey is done has a second.

All in favor of approving the motion say Aye motion carried 3 Yes 1 No

Board vacancy remain open: Ordinance Enforcement Officer, ZBA (Zoning Board of Appeals) and Alternates

NEW BUSINESS

Hire Auditor for 2022/23 and 2023/24 years. Motion by Forrester second by Skeans to hire Cambridge and Company to perform the Whitefish Township audit 2000/23 and 2023/24. Roll call vote Skeans Yes, Roach Yes, Bean Yes, Forrester Yes motion carried 4 Yes 0

No Fee waiver request by ZBA (Zoning Board of Appeals) to have a fee of 500.00 be waived for Begnoche's project. More info is needed and will be taken up at the next meeting August 5th, 2024.

Election Administrator. Motion by Forrester second by Roach to hire Katie Becker as Election Administrator for the August State Primary election.

Roll Call vote Skeans Yes, Bean Yes, Roach Yes, Forrester Yes Motion carried 4 Yes 0

Motion by Skeans second by Bean to adjourn meeting at 8:17 pm

All in favor say Aye motion carried 4 yes 0 No