

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA MEETING
MINUTES
MAY 8, 2013**

The Chippewa Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly Agenda Meeting at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, 2013. Present were Township Supervisors James Bouril, Nancy Lamey and Thomas Roberts, Manager Mark Taylor, Code Officer Dawna Pella and Administrative Assistant Cindy Clark.

Chairman Jim Bouril brought the meeting to order.

VISITORS

None.

MANAGER

Township Manager Mark Taylor had the following items for discussion or action:

1. Matt Hutchinson:

(Matt Hutchinson was listed first on the agenda but was not present when it was his turn to speak. He arrived at the end of the meeting, apologized for arriving late, and spoke from 3:20 to 3:25.)

Matt is planning to construct a 12 X 12 patio behind the Municipal Building as his Eagle Scout Project and has been calculating what supplies will be needed. He said he has worked aiding the library in the past. Manager Mark Taylor asked when he could get started and Matt said it was up to the Manager, who informed him that there shouldn't be construction items there around June 22nd because that is the time Chippewa Township holds its Community Day event. He must also get approval from the Scouts. Matt said this project does not have to be completed until he is 18 years old. The Manager said a spot for the patio has been located and he turned to the meeting room window and pointed out the proposed area to the Supervisors. He said some shrubs will be placed there. It was noted that when completed the patio area can be used for outdoor library classes, as a space for employees to have lunch and as a spot to read, away from the playground. Mr. Bouril said this will be an asset to the Municipal Building and told Matt that he appreciates the fact that he is taking on this project. Mark Taylor thanked Matt for attending the meeting to give an update on the project.

2. Bids for paving:

Manager Mark Taylor put together and distributed a list of streets to be paved. He and the contractor came up with projected costs. He said two streets – Clearview and Smith - have been eliminated and will be done next year. It would have cost an additional \$50,000.00 to keep Clearview and Smith on this year's list. Stormwater decisions regarding these streets will be made before next year. He wants to get this bid as soon as possible. He said he may contact the Supervisors about doing a bid opening during the day in May.

3. Hill subdivision:

The Manager explained that Mr. Hill, the owner of this property, wants to build a swimming pool on Lot #35, but the Township does not permit a pool to be on a lot by itself. Hill was advised by the Manager that the pool could be constructed if lot lines are removed and this all becomes one lot. The lot lines between Lot #35 and Lot #36 and between Lot #39 and Lot #35 will be removed. That would make this one lot and he would then be in compliance with the Township's zoning ordinance. He said the Planning Commission hasn't seen this yet but they will meet concerning this next Tuesday. They will look at this at that time. It should then be ready for approval.

4. DCNR closeout:

Manager Taylor provided the Supervisors with a letter regarding the DCNR. He said we have been waiting too long for the "as built" drawings and want to get this closed out. Dawna Pella met with Kathy Frankel from DCNR. Mark Taylor said we want to get the funds that are in the State's hands into our hands in order to reimburse the General Fund, as this involves about \$125,000. The money held back from Playing Surface Solutions to do the final "as-built" drawings is enough for us to hire Michael Baker to do this. He said they have until June 17th to respond to us in writing according to the letter. If we don't receive a response, we will continue without them. We may need to have Solicitor Verlihay send something to them.

5. Sahli Park meeting dates:

Pam Varga told Mark Taylor that she is open to changing the date of the monthly Sahli Park meetings, since they are currently held at times that are not convenient for the Supervisors to attend. After a short discussion about available dates, the Supervisors told the Manager that the second Thursday of the month would be better for them. He will relay this information to Pam Varga.

6. Sign ordinance hearing on 5-15 at 7:15:

The sign ordinance hearing will be held at 7:15 p.m. on May 15th.

7. McKinley school house property:

Mark Taylor said that Solicitor Verlihay may bring the paperwork that will show the McKinley school house as a gift to the Township to the next meeting. The house will finally be put into the Township's name. The Manager said that Ms. Sneddon told him that she was very pleased with how the Township is maintaining the Sahli Nature Park so they are confident that the Township will be able to take over the school house. He said she was very impressed and wished to thank Pam and the Township for how the park is being managed.

Before adjourning, Mark Taylor said Joe Weidner, a representative from Senator Vogel's office, wants to meet the Board and wants to know if there is any way Senator Vogel's office can provide help to the Township. They are very impressed with the progress here in Chippewa Township. The Supervisors set a tentative date of Monday, May 13th at 10.am. to meet with Joe Weidner.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting ended at 3:25 p.m.

Secretary

Chairman

