

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
of the
JUNE 14, 2017
AGENDA MEETING**

The Chippewa Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly Agenda Meeting on Wednesday June 14, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. Present were Chairman Jim Bouril, Supervisor Nancy Lamey, Supervisor Mark Hoenig, Manager Mark Taylor, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Rich Bebout, Code Enforcement Officer Dawna Pella and Administrative Assistant Cindy Clark.

Chairman Bouril brought the meeting to order.

VISITORS

Chief Berchtold and Lois Heberling Mennell were present.

Ms. Mennell voiced complaints about the condition of properties near her property at 2635 Darlington Road that she plans to put back on the market soon. She said the properties near hers aren't being cared for and brought photos of the properties for Supervisors to see. She said wildlife and feral cats inhabit the properties. She said that there is still an abandoned in-ground swimming pool on one property and it has trash in it. Manager Taylor, Chairman Bouril and Code Enforcement Officer Dawna Pella responded, made comments, and also asked Ms. Mennell some questions. Ms. Pella explained that people can only be cited for certain violations, and not just for what could be determined as being "messy" and added that she can't trespass without permission or a warrant. She asked if Ms. Mennell had spoken to the owners and she said she did not. Ms. Pella was told to check into this matter by Mr. Bouril and Mr. Taylor.

MANAGER

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

1. P.M.R.S. Retirement System:

Manager Taylor had provided information to the Supervisors regarding a change to the Township's retirement system. It would affect non-uniformed personnel only and will not affect or change things for current employees. Manager Taylor said the Township will contribute 3% and the employee will contribute 3%, he talked about the age/years of service portion, and he explained some other aspects of this to the Supervisors. He said that Solicitor Verlihay will prepare the ordinance. This will save the Township money in the future.

2. Right-of-way Revision with C.E.D.:

The Manager said that documentation is needed regarding eliminating an easement and creating a maintenance agreement due to a shared drive. He said that Attorney Verlihay will have this paperwork ready for next Wednesday's meeting.

3. Fire Department Q.R.S. First Responder Vehicle:

Manager Taylor explained that both the Chief's 1995 Tahoe and the Q.R.S. vehicle need repair. He has given the Supervisors information on this. He said he would like to help the Fire Department set up a vehicle rotation program but is still researching how to do this. He explained that a new Ford Explorer costs \$27,521. He said one possibility would be to buy it outright and have the Fire Department make \$6000 payments to us each year from their relief fund. In 5 years a new vehicle could be purchased. He said we could always have a new QRS vehicle with the older one being given to the Chief. He will give the Supervisors more information on this next week.

4. Cell Tower Lease:

Manager Taylor said that Solicitor Verlihay previously had some comments. Rich Bebout compared the former lease and the current lease to see what changes were made. According to the new lease, if the lease is ever terminated the Township won't be stuck with the tower. Manager Taylor said this was added to the wording in the lease even though our zoning ordinance would also require them to tear it down. He said the Township will receive \$750 per month (\$9000 per year) and the term is five years with the option of an additional 35 years. He then spoke about subdividing the property. He added that this has been a long process.

5. Resolution 2017-8: Surplus Health Care Benefits:

Manager Taylor said that if the Township performs well in the health care plan we will receive a refund check. The last check was over \$15,000. We need to create a reserve account for health care. He said they do not need to be signed today. When signed, it will give permission to open an account for surplus.

6. Resolution 2017-9: Township Reserve Account:

Manager Taylor said that this account was not set up properly by the bank. The bank is saying that the Manager was never added.

7. A.E.D.s:

Manager Taylor asked Rich Bebout to speak at this time. Rich said that the A.E.D.s have been distributed to the Police Department, the Administration office, the Community room downstairs and the Rec House.

8. Donald Deem Lot Consolidation:

Manager Taylor said this is in the Getrude Street area and is a consolidation of lots request from Stewart's. They want to turn two lots into one lot. They are liquidating some properties. It met all of the Township's standards.

9. Executive Session:

At approximately 9 a.m. Chairman Bouril announced that the Supervisors would go into executive session to discuss personnel items.

REGULAR SESSION/SUPERVISORS' BUSINESS

At 9:20 the Supervisors returned to the meeting room and the regular meeting resumed with Chairman Bouril presiding. Chairman Bouril said that discussion in executive session centered on two employees. He said that Patrolman Mark Sommer has been with the Chippewa Police Department for 24 years. It was suggested that he be moved to a Sergeant position.

MS. LAMEY MOVED TO MOVE Officer Mark Sommer to the position of Sergeant. Mr. Hoenig seconded the motion and with no further discussion the motion carried.

Chairman Bouril then said that Road Crew maintenance worker Scott Weber has been employed by the Township for several years. It was suggested that he be moved to a full-time position.

MS. LAMEY MOVED TO MOVE Scott Weber to a full-time position. Mr. Hoenig seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion carried. Chairman Bouril said he will move to the full-time position within two months at the discretion of the Township Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to come before the Board of Supervisors, the agenda meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

Secretary

Chairman