

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
of the
FEBRUARY 12, 2014
AGENDA MEETING**

The Chippewa Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly Agenda Meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 12, 2014. Present were Supervisors Nancy Lamey and Mark Hoenig, Manager Mark Taylor, Code Officer Dawna Pella and Administrative Assistant Cindy Clark. Supervisor Bouril was away on vacation.

Vice Chairperson Nancy Lamey brought the meeting to order.

VISITORS

Chief Berchtold attended.

MANAGER

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

1. Hiring of Jacob Delmonico:

Manager Taylor provided the Supervisors with a letter from Chief Berchtold. In the letter, the Chief stated that he recommends that Jacob Delmonico be hired as a part-time police officer.

SUPERVISOR HOENIG MOVED TO APPROVE the hiring of Jacob Delmonico as a part-time officer. Ms. Lamey seconded the motion and with no further discussion the motion carried.

The Chief said he should be able to start by the beginning of March.

2. Pavilion rental fees:

Manager Taylor provided the Supervisors with a memo regarding a proposed increase in shelter rental fees for people from outside the Township. He said that over the past few years people who live outside Chippewa Township call the office on the first day that reservations are taken and then sometimes Chippewa Township residents, who pay taxes here, have to choose alternate dates for their events because dates are already taken by those who live elsewhere. He feels people from other areas realize that it is very cheap to rent shelters here in the Township. He said our current rental rate is just \$35, for both residents and non-residents. He discovered that the Brady's Run Park weekend rate is \$60.00. Mr. Taylor is recommending that the Supervisors allow the shelter rental fee for residents to remain at \$35.00, as this will be an extra benefit to those who pay taxes here, but that non-residents pay \$55.00 beginning this year. He said that the shelters are maintained with the taxes paid by Township residents. He would like the new rules to stipulate that the person listed as the renter on the rental agreement form must be present at the event. He wants renters to know that they can't put a Township resident's name on the rental form unless that resident is also planning to be at the event held in our shelter. If Supervisors wish to proceed with this, he will send all of this information to the newspaper for the ad. He said that people have already been calling the receptionists to find out what day we will start taking reservations for 2014. He asked the Supervisors to think about this change in fees and to vote on it at next week's regular meeting.

3. Yard waste ordinance:

Manager Taylor said each year the amount of yard waste in the piles on the Klein Street Park tennis courts increases and we spend thousands of dollars to get rid of this waste. We do get credit back from the DEP for some of this cost, but it is not equal to what the Township spends. He said after he clears away the piles it fills up again quickly. He knows that some people and some contractors who are dumping there do not live in the Township. Residents of Chippewa Township end up paying to get rid of waste that is deposited there by people who don't live in the Township. It is known as the place to get rid of brush. Mr. Taylor is suggesting that an ordinance be passed that would establish rules and regulations for the use of this yard waste site. He gave a copy of the proposed ordinance, the proposed application form and the proposed card/permit to the Supervisors to look over. He said signs will be posted, cameras will be installed, and he may have someone sit there at times. He said he does not want a vote tonight, but he would like the Supervisors to discuss this further next Wednesday at the regular meeting.

4. IRT Program:

Mr. Taylor met with the military and they went out and looked at the site. The date has been changed from June 1st to July 1st. He said that the 721st group out of Pittsburgh will help with the project and he feels they are very construction savvy. We have offered to allow them to stay at the Rec house. They will construct a 550 X 60 ft. retention pond, and possibly do additional work. They will be here six weeks and will work in shifts and this will increase productivity. Supervisor Hoenig asked about overseeing the project. Manager Taylor explained that someone from the 721st will oversee the project but he said there will also be a representative from the Township overseeing it at times.

5. Blackhawk School District letter:

The Manager gave copies of a Blackhawk School District letter to Supervisors regarding an exercise drill in conjunction with the Beaver County EMS on February 18th. The Police and Fire Departments also have this letter. Supervisor Hoenig plans to attend along with others from the Township.

MANAGER'S MISC. ITEMS

1. Mr. Taylor said that the Planning Commission is still meeting and working on aesthetics and architectural standards. He said they are making progress.
2. He mentioned that there are some changes being made to the Municipal Building's computer system and said we are getting a new copy machine. He explained that everyone is adjusting to the changes and updates.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m..

Secretary

Chairman

