



MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

August 17, 2021 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Call 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 830 4042 1182

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Keller called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Chairperson R. Keller Supervisor, Vice Chair B. Seekon, T. Nelson, Supervisor C. Cagle, Supervisor J. Eischens (remote)

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Treasurer S. Aker, Town Clerk K. Wood, Deputy Clerk L. Carr, Planner K. Lindquist, 5 members of the public (attended virtually/in-person-listed for the record)

REVIEW & APPROVE THE AGENDA

C. Cagle made a motion to approve the agenda. T. Nelson seconded. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 20, 2021

C. Cagle made motion to approve the Board meeting minutes from the July 20, 2021 meeting. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

REVIEW & APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

T. Nelson made motion to approve the consent agenda. C. Cagle seconded. Invoices for the SLFD were discussed. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

TREASURER COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Amborella House Request

The Amborella House updated the Board on what has been going on with the delay in the opening of the home. There were some budgetary issues and COVID has also affected them. They are requesting to rent out the home for six months while they do some fundraising and wait on donors. They would like to rent out the home so that they have someone to take care of the upkeep. They work with the Sheriff to keep the location secure. They have rebranded themselves through the Secretary of State as Renew Hope DBA Amborella House. They explained some of the public awareness programs they are doing. K. Lindquist said they do not have to make use of their CUP and are able to rent the home out. No Board vote needed. If they do not use the permit within one year, they will lose it.



Hernandez Kennel Permit IUP Request

B. Seekon discussed what happened at the Planning Commission and said that the property owner was in attendance via Zoom. The Board had required a physical fence, but the Planning Commission believes the current collar/electric fence is sufficient. They have three dogs with training. There have not been any complaints of their dogs being dangerous or leaving the yard. The recommendation is to give them a probationary period of two months to see if the current electric fence is working. If there are no issues, it is okay. The IUP stated chain link fencing or approved material. The current electrical fence would be approved if it works well during the probation period. T. Nelson stated that the Board did not require that the whole yard be fenced with a chain link, just one area. B. Seekon explained that the dogs have not been unsupervised, and there have been no issues since the brother-in-law's dogs (initial complaint) were removed. There is no need to adjust the current IUP. If there are issues within 60 days, the Board can require a physical fenced in area. If the dogs leave the property, it would be a reason for a physical fence. Visiting dogs are allowed, but they would need to be leashed and controlled.

5563 Athens Trail IUP Amendment for Vehicle Parking – Gordon Peterson (Resolution 2021-33)

B. Seekon discussed the area for the parking on the IUP. The owners came to the Planning Commission meeting and explained what is allowed at their parking area; the lot is monitored, no long-term parking allowed and it is meant for locals. They have towed violators. There is nothing between them and freeway, no other property is affected, so no screening needed. C. Cagle suggested checking on the screening to make sure there are no issues down the road. B. Seekon feels that the parking area should be on the gas station lot. The IUP is not valid if the property is sold per K. Lindquist, it is only for current use in current condition. This only works because they own both parcels, the lot and the gas station. C. Cagle wants to make things consistent, not difficult, there are currently no stipulations for this and feels it needs to be consistent across the board. K. Lindquist said that we can make it so that if either is sold, the IUP is void and would cease to exist, unless it was brought back to Board. B. Seekon said that this is not for profit parking. T. Nelson stated that if they are all the same, we are protecting ourselves. Stipulations may be different, but we do need consistency. If allowed, the IUP should have the same verbiage as for A1. This will go back to the Planning Commission for verbiage to be revised per R. Keller.

Proposed Text Amendment Amending Chapter 6 of the Lent Township Land Use Regulations – Section 7: Special Events (Ord. 2021- 07)

B. Seekon made motion to approve the text amendment to Chapter Six, Section Seven: Special Events (Ordinance 2021-07). C. Cagle seconded. B. Seekon said the Planning Commission was not in favor of loud dirt bike events, but people can shoot at any time. T. Nelson said personal issues cannot come into play. **Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Proposed Text Amendment to Chapter Three: Subdivision Ordinance: 1.06 Platting Required (Ord. 2021-08)

T. Nelson made motion to approve the text amendment to Chapter three of the Subdivision Ordinance, 1:06 Platting Required (Ordinance 2021-08). B. Seekon seconded. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

2040 Comprehensive Plan Approval (Resolution 2021-32)

T. Nelson made motion to approve the 2040 Comprehensive Plan. B. Seekon Seconded for discussion. Rescinded. B. Seekon said that there were complaints about lot sizes for the medium density on the



future land use map. The Planning Commission decided to split the medium density by 320th Street vertically. The eastside would be RR2, and west would be RRA. The Board thought about tabling the approval of the future land use map. K. Lindquist stated the Board can make a motion to approve with one small land use change. **B. Seekon made motion to approve Comp Plan with the amendment to the future land use map. C. Cagle seconded.** T. Nelson wants some verbal parameters included; he would like to see the lines. C. Cagle discussed lot sizes based on color, and access through residential roads. **Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Linwood Joint Powers Agreement

R. Keller discussed a Joint Powers agreement for roadwork with Linwood Township. Sanding roads needs to be added. Snow plow/salt rates need to be established - \$125/ton salt/sand, same price for plowing. The Board asked S. Aker for the price North Branch charged Lent for salt/sand and plowing. It was \$7810 for grading, snow plowing and chloride in 2019. \$4571 for end of 2020. 18 hours for grading at \$125/hour, 16 hours snow plow at \$125/hour. **B. Seekon made motion to approve the Joint Powers agreement with the Town of Linwood with the additions and at the rate of \$125 per hour. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Lions LG555 - \$500 Parks and Rec (Resolution 2021-30)

B. Seekon made motion to approve the Lions LG555 for \$500 for Parks and Rec (Resolution 2021-30). Second by C. Cagle. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Turkey Hunter LG220 Gambling Permit (2-12-2022) (Resolution 2021-31)

B. Seekon made motion to approve the LG220 Gambling Permit (Resolution 2021-31) for the Turkey Hunter Hall Rental. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

SLFD HVAC – ARPA

C. Cagle discussed the Fire Hall needing a new HVAC system. The Board is meeting on 8/31/2021 at 7:00 pm to discuss ARPA funds. We received an email with a breakdown of how the funds can be used. She said we can watch and see what fire departments get for funding. The Township can offer grants and J. Eischens has experience in writing grants. C. Cagle suggested that the Board study how the funds can be allocated. B. Seekon stated that T. Nelson has a better idea of what is needed by SLFD. These funds are not just for Fire department. The SLFD will be asked at Joint Powers what is needed. T. Nelson stated we own the building so we have to be the one that applies for the funds.

OLD BUSINESS

Lorr Event Date Change (September 25th)

R. Keller approved the date change.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Zoning

M. Olson still working on his application.

Roads

Road Borings

Borings not done yet. Started but not complete.



B Seekon has been downloading software on the maintenance garage computer for the road counter. He went through how to set it up with Maintenance Staff. C. Cagle discussed concern of many dead/leaning oak trees, along Athens/17, Lyons, 320th etc. She asked if Maintenance takes care of them. R. Keller said they keep Township roads open, clean up ditches when they do brushing/limbing. 360th Street has a tree that has fallen, this will be taken care of. Issues with mower are being addressed. Manufacturer sold us part from a new unit due to so many problems; a regular U-joint was needed. T. Nelson suggested renting a mower, but R. Keller said there is enough going on. Maintenance needs to mow further back. There is a tear in mower deck, sand is eating through it. R. Keller suggested patching it. T. Nelson said you can order just the deck. Mowing season is almost over.

Counter on Karmel Ave/302nd Street

T. Nelson keeps getting emails to chloride Karmel Ave. R. Keller will remind M. Fehrman to get that done after rain.

Parks

T. Nelson discussed the parks and said the dugouts are complete, outdoor Pickleball courts are almost complete. He suggested putting a sitting spot on the parcel the Township owns. C. Cagle discussed putting gravel on east side for parking by Outdoor Pickle Ball courts.

Building

C. Cagle discussed plumbing issues that are being addressed, plumbing should be fixed for event on Saturday. They replaced ¾" pipe with one inch pipe. R. Keller suggests a large tank for water. T. Nelson said to talk to Andy Zuercher regarding any more plumbing concerns.

Broadband

J. Eischens is still in discussions with Genesis. C. Cagle stated the County hired focus group called Firefly to do a study on all Broadband in the area. They will have a report in January, to show what areas are connected to make Broadband work for everyone.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

D. Stiers thanked C. Cagle for not having Pickleball inside, as it is easier to hear meeting. He was at Planning Commission meeting, and is happy with discussion about 320th, he feels one acre should be the minimum. He recommends the lowest lift on the mower to reduce damage.

CLERK COMMENTS

K. Wood would like to look into Microphones and/or speakers for Zoom. K. Wood noted that this technology is covered by ARPA Funds. This will be looked into by K. Wood, C. Cagle and B. Seekon.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

T. Nelson - none

C. Cagle discussed what happened at the County Board meeting and said that they have an updated septic plan and they discussed Broadband. C. Cagle sent an email regarding PUDs to us to share with the Board.

J. Eischens - none

B. Seekon discussed where CCATO if not canceled.

R. Keller read the meetings.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

- ❖ CCATO Meeting (Franconia Town Hall)– Wednesday, August 25, 2021 - 7:00 pm
- ❖ Planning Commission – Wednesday, September 8, 2021- 7:00 pm
- ❖ Joint Powers – Monday, September 13, 2021 – 7:00 pm
- ❖ Board Meeting – Tuesday, September 21, 2021- 7:00 pm
- ❖ Fall Cleanup Day – Wednesday, September 22, 2021 – 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- ❖ Parks Meeting –TBD

ADJOURN

T. Nelson made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 pm. B. Seekon seconded. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Board Chair Signature

Clerk Signature

