

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING FOR PARKS & RECREATION 5 YEAR PLAN 2020-2024 AND REGULAR COLOMA TOWNSHIP MEETING.

December 11, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Ken Parrigin called the Public Hearing Meeting to order. Board members present for the meeting were: Ken Parrigin, Supervisor, Sandy Kraemer, Clerk, Jim Fulton, Treasurer, and Trustees Bryan Duffield, Rob Harper, Jerry Willmeng. Absent Trustee Bob Howell.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Trustee Brian Duffield.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor Ken Parrigin asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing Meeting. Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Rob Harper, made a motion to open the Public Hearing Meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes. 6 Ayes. 1 Absent. MOTION CARRIED. Supervisor Parrigin asked Cindy LaGrow, from LaGrow Consulting, to present the 5-year Parks & Recreation plan from 2020 – 2024. She presented a review of the 5-year Parks and Recreation Plan from 2020 – 2024, informing everyone this is like a “wish list” and the Township Board has not made a commitment for anything on the list. She answered all questions and stated if the Board approved the Resolution tonight it would go into effect 30 days from this date. Supervisor Parrigin asked if there were any other questions from the Board or audience. There were none.

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Open Public Hearing Con't

He asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing. Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Rob Harper, made a motion to close the Public Hearing meeting. VOICE VOTE: 6 Ayes. 1 Absent. MOTION CARRIED. Public Hearing closed at 7:20pm.

OPEN REGULAR COLOMA TOWNSHIP MEETING

Supervisor Parrigin asked for a motion to open Regular Meeting. Treasurer Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, made a motion to open Regular Meeting at 7:21pm. ROLL CALL VOTE: Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes. 6 Ayes. 1 Absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Parrigin asked for a motion to approve the 5-year Parks and Recreation Plan 2020 – 2024. Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, made a motion to approve the 5-year Parks and Recreation Plan 2020-2024. ROLL CALL VOTE: Kraemer, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes. 6 Ayes. 1 Absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Presentations and Announcements

None

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CORRESPONDENCE

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Kraemer reported she and Trustee Bryan Duffield have been working on an updated employee handbook and hope to present it to the employees then send to Attorney for approval.

Chana Kniebes, from North Berrien Community Development, she announced on December 12, 2019, the Annual Community Appreciation Tribute/ Business Recognition dinner will be held at Blackbird Waterhouse Restaurant in Coloma, from 5pm to 7pm. She does need an RSVP.

Trustee Jerry Willmeng informed everyone the water level is still very high which increases the flow. This is the wettest year in 119 years.

Trustee Bryan Duffield reported the Road Committee will be meeting with the Berrien County Road Commission on December 12, 2019, at 3:00pm, to go over the issues with Van Road and plan for next year.

Police Chief Wes Smigielski reported there were 192 total complaints for the month of November. 10 Arrests, 24 Citations issued, 34 traffic stops, 32 traffic warnings. 210 Business Property checks, 2 breaking and entering. He stated the department did apprehend a drug dealer.

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Trustee Rob Harper reported the Fire Department had 16 calls for the month of November. Presented a draft of 2020/2021 budget. Amkus was the choice for battery powered extrication tool demonstration and testing. The fire department Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday December 15th.

Trustee Bryan Duffield reported Bobie Minor, who has worked for the Cemetery Board for 10 years is retiring and Kendyl Adams will replace her. Supervisor Parrigin commented Bobie has done a great job and thanked her for her service.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Kraemer stated in the Board packets is Resolution# 2019/20 #10, which is a Resolution Adopting Zoning Ordinance fees and Expense Schedule. After discussion and questions answered, Treasurer Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Bryan Duffield, made a motion to approve Resolution Adopting Zoning Ordinance Fees and Expense Schedule. ROLL CALL VOTE: Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Duffield, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

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NEW BUSINESS CON'T

Clerk Kraemer stated in the Board packets regarding Ordinance #8 which the Maintenance department would like to have updated. This Ordinance is for the purpose of furthering the control and eradication of noxious weeds and the elimination of tall grass, brush, and dead trees in the residential and commercial areas of the Township; to impose an obligation upon the owner or occupant of such lot with respect to control, eradication, and elimination; and to implement the enforcement of said obligation by lien on the lot or lots involved. After discussion Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton approved review of the Ordinance and they can start the adoption process in January. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes, Willmeng, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

Township website administrator Tracy Tavalacci informed the Board the last 6 months she has been trying to contact the current Township Website Company with no response from them. She has researched a new local Company and would like to change to this new company. She stated it would cost \$4,500.00 to set up the new website then she could manage and update it, and also set up the Administration department on Facebook also. After discussion Trustee Bryan Duffield, seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton, made a motion to approve the new Website and set up the Facebook also.

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NEW BUSINESS CON'T

ROLL CALL VOTE: Willmeng, yes; Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yea; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Kraemer informed the Township Board in their packets was a list of committee members that needed to be renewed. After discussion Treasurer Jim Fulton, seconded by Trustee Jerry Willmeng, made a motion to approve the renewal of committee members. ROLL CALL VOTE: Fulton, yes; Parrigin, yes; Kraemer, yes; Duffield, yes; Harper, yes; Willmeng, yes. 6 AYES. 1 ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Berrien County Commissioner, Dave Vollrath, informed everyone after the 1st of the year, the County is going to start a 2-year pilot program run by Berrien Bus with pick-ups in Watervliet and Coloma to see how it goes.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Jerry Willmeng, seconded by Treasurer Jim Fulton, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53pm.

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Respectfully Submitted

Sandra Kraemer, Clerk

Kenneth Parrigin, Supervisor

Date approved
