

NORWOOD TOWNSHIP BOARD

Meeting Minutes - July 18, 2016

Norwood Township Hall

Call to Order – 7:00 PM

Pledge of allegiance – By all

Roll Call – Warner, Pajtas, Hamilton, Smolenyak, Spilis – All present

Public Comment on Agenda Items – None.

Approval of Minutes – MM by DW to approve Bd Mtg Mins of 6/20/16 as published; LS 2nd; All ayes; MC

Approval of Agenda – Pajtas corrected Fund Balances; General to read \$180,674.53; added under New business: Park Road.

MM by DP to approve Agenda to include added items; DW 2nd; All ayes - MC

Supervisor's Report – Info packet distributed to Board outlining the on-going road issue started a number of years past with CCRC relating to required width of township roads, showing various actions that have transpired up through current date. Recently Great Lakes Energy has advised all township & county officials of recently established policy/standard for clearing requirements of 7.5 feet on either side of newly installed power poles. This will have significant impact on any road work/improvements that will be evaluated. Supervisor Hamilton has requested new drawings from Northwest Design Group depicting the expected appearance of Lakeshore Rd work under consideration.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Fund Balances:	General	\$ 180,674.53
	Road	176,862.11
	Emergency	17,333.92
	Phragmites	5,951.56

Will be on vacation from 8/6/16 through 8/21/16 & will not be at Bd mtg 8/15/16. Deputy Treasurer David Ridenour will be filling in.

<u>Clerk's Report</u> –	Preapproved:	\$ 2,495.64
	Unapproved:	6,381.93
	TOTAL:	\$ 8,877.57

MM by DW to approve payment of this month's bills in amount of \$ 8,877.57; LS 2nd; all ayes; MC

Cemetery Report at end of fiscal year end: Sold (3) plots in amount of \$600; (3) burials.

Clerk's records reveal approximately \$32,000 surplus unused from budget & proposes moving to surplus account.

MM by DW to move \$30,000 to surplus account; DP 2nd; all ayes; MC

Trustees' Reports – Spilis: Fielded couple of complaints regarding fireworks; have report on insurance but will include during discussion on New Business topic covering Treasurer Bonding.

Warner: PC has completed the new ordinance covering Towers & have forwarded to County for comment; Park Rec plan expected to be completed at next PC mtg.

Zoning Administrator Report – Available online.

Old Business – None

New Business – Park Road: It has become apparent that hazards have become prominent that could be harmful to vehicals/individuals. It is suggested that a small amount of fill material could temporarily resolve the issue
MM by DW to exclude the bidding process for park project to improve launch access road; DP 2nd; all ayes; MC.

MM by DW to authorize up to \$1,400 for above improvement project; 2nd; all ayes; MC.

Treasurer Bond: County officials recently advised that they would no longer provide all inclusive bonding to cover Township treasurers, but will limit their responsibility to townships collection of county taxes. NT Treasurer has been provided bonding from county for 40% of taxes collected plus state education taxes collected. NT will have to provide bonding of Treasurer for remaining amount.

Trustee Spilis explained NT insurance coverage as defined under PA-206 of 1893.

Supervisor Hamilton will contact Charlevoix Chapter of MTA to schedule time to have discussions as to effects this bonding change with other townships.

Correspondence/Announcements – Usual

Public Comment – Gnodtke inquired as to public input on Park Rec plan. Made comment as to recent County actions which ultimately appears to be increasing taxes to all county residents.

Adjournment – 8:08 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:
Sadie Bartosik, Recording Secretary