

Norwood Township Board of Trustees Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
October 16, 2017 Draft Minutes  
Norwood Township Hall

**Call to Order** – Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – by all present

**Roll Call** – Warner-present, Ridenour-present, Smolenyak-present, Spilis-present, Pajtas-excused absence

**Approval of September 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes** – MM by Warner to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smolenyak. Motion carried to approve Minutes 4-0

**Public Comment related to Agenda Items** – none

**Approval of Agenda- MM by Warner to accept the Agenda as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smolenyak. Motion carried to approve Agenda 4-0**

**Supervisor’s Report** –

Ridenour reported on the DNR Fisherman’s Island land swap. Ridenour said he received an email on October 4, 2017 from the State explaining that they are exploring options and were having a meeting on October 13, 2017 and they would update the Supervisor.

Ridenour spoke to County Road Commission regarding getting bids for the work on Parsons Road and Lakeshore Drive. He said they should have the bids by March 1, 2018 so they can be presented for the March 18, 2018 Township Board Meeting. The Road Commission stated the roads should be completed by late Spring 2018 or early Summer 2018.

Ridenour reported a thank you note was written to Rod Richardson for the Cemetery Plaque.

Ridenour also reported that he has had several residents suggesting to make some type of speed bump for the Lake Street hill since there is such a blind spot when coming over the hill. People are concerns about the safety of pedestrians walking. Suggestions were made to possible contacting the Road Commission about a Caution Sign. Supervisor said he would contact the Road Commission.

**Treasurer’s Report** –

Fund Balances: as of 9/30/2017

General:	\$160,214.47
Improvements:	60,000.00
Vanguard:	3,000.00
Road:	224,290.11
Emergency:	30,226.84
Phragmites:	7,210.42
Tax Fund:	6,936.77

Smolenyak reported Summer Tax season has ended and late notices have been sent out.

**Clerk's Report –**

Report given by Brenda Freds, Deputy Clerk.

Preapproved: \$ 253.00 (GLE & Payroll check missed from last month)

Unapproved: \$3,031.00

Totals: \$3,284.00

**MM by Warner to approve Clerks' Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smolenyak. Motion carried and approved 4-0.**

**Trustee's Report –**

Warner reported that the Planning Commission is continuing to work on the Ordinances and discussed having a new updated sign made for the Park. Warner also presented the updated Township Park & Recreation Plan to the Board.

Spilis reported on House Bill 4503 and Senate Bill 2309 regarding Short Term Rentals and how it will affect Norwood Township.

Spilis also reported on State Bill 108 regarding Pre-empt zoning for Urban Agriculture

Spilis said that the State signed Bills 4305 and 4336 regarding a person that works in two states and how they are required to file taxes in Michigan.

Warner also reported on a meeting that Annie Doyle attended regarding the Opt In and Opt Out options for the Medical Marijuana Act.

**Zoning Administrator's Report –**Report is available on the Township website.

**Old Business –** None

**New Business –**

Discussion on the Township Parks & Recreation Plan. The Township Board will have a Public Hearing at the November 20, 2017 Township Board Meeting.

Park Ordinance and Sign Discussion. The Board would like the Ordinance to read Park & Public Places Rules and Regulations, to move and update line F to be line C and read Pet waste is considered trash. All other line items will be re-lettered. This will be the contents of the sign.

**MM by Warner to accept the Ordinance with proposed changes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Spilis. Motion was carried and approved 4-0 by roll call, Warner-yes, Ridenour-yes, Smolenyak-yes, Spilis-yes.**

**MM by Warner to approve amended Park Sign, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Smolenyak. Motion was carried and approved 4-0 by roll call, Warner-yes, Ridenour-yes, Smolenyak-yes, Spilis-yes.**

**Announcements & Correspondence –** None

**Next Township Board Meeting will be November 20, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Norwood Township Hall with a Public Hearing on the Parks & Recreation Plan.**

**Public Comment – None**

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 p.m.**

Submitted by Shari M. Jones, Recording Secretary