

NORWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: February 11, 2019

Board members present: Don Byczek, Supervisor; Joyce Giuliani, Clerk; Kristen LaValley, Treasurer; Dave Solda, Trustee; Mike Steeno, Trustee

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Supervisor Byczek. Pledge was recited.
2. Approve/amend agenda: Motion made by Giuliani, second by Steeno, to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
3. Citizens' Time: None.
4. Approve minutes of January 14, 2019 meeting: Motion by Steeno, second by Solda, to approve minutes as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
5. Financial report: Report of income and expenses for January was reviewed.
6. Bills for approval: list of bills to be paid was discussed. Motion by Solda, second by LaValley, to pay bills as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. Playground update: Facilities Manager Chartier stated that the walls and trusses are in place and the sheeting has been installed. Next step is siding and roofing. No information was received on our request for funds from the Brackett Fund. Solda will follow this up. Steeno and Solda agreed to come up with a design for the interior of the building for presentation at next month's meeting.
  - b. 2019/2020 Budget review: draft of the proposed budget, including raises for the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer, was discussed.. A public budget hearing will be held at 4:30 p.m. on March 11 to finalize the plans.
  - c. Update of Legal Issues in Township: attorney is still investigating some of the issues. Information should be available at the next meeting.
  - d. Approval of Land Division: Todd Johnson, W4080 U.S. Highway 2, has requested approval for a land division to allow for sale of his existing home house and allow him enough property to build a new home on the remaining land. The land division would provide for 3.36 acres to be sold with the existing house with 3.8 acres remaining with the new home. Motion was made by Giuliani, second by Steeno, to approve the land division request by Todd Johnson.
  - e. Discuss Commercial Forest Withdrawal procedures: information regarding the requirements for withdrawing property from the Commercial Forest Program was discussed. St. John Logging recently sold a parcel that was in the program.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - a. None.
9. Citizens' Time: R. Girardi - opposed to raises for township board members.

10. Committee Reports: Steeno - Norway Area Planning Commission - nothing new. On Wednesday, 2/13/19 at 6:00 p.m. there will be a redevelopment ready meeting with CUPPAD. Byczek - Board of Review - annual training was held on 2/5/19.

11. Board member comments:

- a. LaValley - tax collection going well. She will be in the office from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, 2/14 and again on Thursday, 2/28.
- b. Giuliani - Recreation Plan is complete and on file with the DNR making us eligible to apply for DNR Passport Recreation Grants in the future. The deadline to apply for this year is 4/1/19.
- c. Byczek - MDOT meeting was cancelled last week due to snow.
- d. Solda - next DCSWMA meeting is scheduled for 2/20/19.
- e. Steeno - no comments

12. Facility Manager Comments: programmable thermostats have been installed in the supervisor's office and conference room as an energy-saving measure.

13. Adjournment: Being no further business, motion was made by Steeno, second by Giuliani, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Passed 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. Next meeting will be March 11, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Public Budget Hearing will be March 11, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. DCTA meeting will be on March 18 at 6:30 p.m. Location will be announced later.

Joyce Giuliani