

NORWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: July 11, 2022

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 5:30 p.m. by Supervisor Byczek. Pledge was recited.
2. Approve/amend agenda: Motion was made LaValley, second by Steeno, to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
3. Citizens' Time: None
4. Approve minutes for last month's meeting: Motion was made by Solda, second by Steeno, to approve the minutes from the June meeting. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
5. Financial reports for last month: financial reports were reviewed and discussed.
6. Bills for approval: Bills were reviewed. The funding for the roadwork done this year on River Meadows Lane and Old US Highway 8 will be taken from the Fire & Roads Account. Motion was made by Solda, second by LaValley, to pay the bills as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a) Corrective action needed for Zoning Permit incorrectly approved: The owner of the land that was incorrectly zoned has submitted a list of costs that he feels that he should be reimbursed for by the township. Supervisor Byczek contacted the township's insurance company regarding this issue and they stated that the majority of the costs to be incurred by the township in purchasing this parcel of land from the owner are covered by the policy. The neighbors adjoining the lot mentioned above have expressed interest in purchasing the lot. Motion was made by Byczek, seconded by Solda, to sell the lot for not less than \$4,000. All ayes. Motion passed 5-0. Another motion was made by Byczek, seconded by LaValley to accept the proposed Memorandum of Agreement between the township and the land owner covering the costs to be reimbursed as presented. All ayes. Motion passed 5-0.
 - b) Ordinance #2022-1 adoption: this is the ordinance amending to Zoning Ordinance to add Item 20 Transmission-connected solar energy facilities as a conditional use in District RP-Resource Product District.. The board has referred this back to the Planning Commission for further information.
 - c) Ordinance #2022-2 adoption: this ordinance cleans up some of the language in the current zoning ordinance. It also includes the height requirement for accessory buildings in R-1 Resident District to be changed from 14 ft to 16 ft. and new language regarding recreational vehicles as temporary housing. Motion was made by Steeno, seconded by LaValley, to adopt Ordinance #2022-2 Roll call vote: Ayes – Steeno, Solda, Byczek, LaValley, Giuliani. Nays: None. Motion passed 5-0.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Little League wish list: there were no representatives from the Little League present. No action taken.
 - b) Culvert on Ball Road by Jacklovitz's farm: Supervisor Byczek has asked the Dickinson County Road Commission to look into replace the guardrails on the culvert on Ball Road as they present a hazard to vehicles the way they are constructed.
 - c) Sponsorship for Music in the Park: it has been noted that many township residents attend the Music in the Park concerts at the Norway City Band Shell. This program is funded by grants and donations from local establishments. Norway Township does not have a venue for programs like this. Motion was made by Steeno seconded by Giuliani, to send \$500.00 to the City of Norway for a sponsorship for the Music in the Park program. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
9. Citizens' Time: Renee & Laura Skrumbellos and Circle Power representatives – solar array project
10. Committee Reports: None.
11. Board member comments: **Byczek** – township funds that are in various banks locally will be moved back to MI-Class accounts as they have better interest rates. Piers Gorge Road, Lake Road and Camp Hayes Road have all been treated for dust control.
12. Facilities Manager comments: Supervisor Byczek will contact the nursery where we purchased the trees to see if they are under warranty as about half of them have died. The fountain at the cemetery has been fixed and is now working.
13. Adjournment: Being no further business, motion was made by Steeno, support by Giuliani, to adjourn. All ayes. Passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. Next meeting is on August 8th at 5:30 p.m.

Joyce Giuliani