

MINUTES
EAGLES NEST TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
June 15, 2021

Chair Floyd called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sup Richard Floyd, Sup DeAnn Schatz, Sup Kurt Soderberg, Sup Frank Sherman, Fire Chief Larry McCray, Clerk Keely Drange, Treasurer Mary Beth Monte and Deputy Treasurer Gwen Potter were in attendance.

Unless otherwise stated, all motions carried unanimously.

Agenda, Minutes and Communications List Approval

Sup Schatz moved, seconded by Sup Soderberg to approve the agenda, as amended for the June 15, 2021 Meeting. Motion carried.

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded by Sup Schatz to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021 BOS meeting. Motion carried.

Communications List: Sup Schatz moved, seconded by Sup Floyd to approve the Communications List as amended. Motion carried.

Citizens' Concerns: none at this time

Reports

Clerk: Have all the board and staff sign the thank you card for Deb and Doug Siverhus for years of service. Keely will send when all have signed. There has been no interest to date in the open supervisor position. A reminder to raise the little library when maintenance person is in place.

Treasurers Report:

A monthly report was made by Treasurer Mary Beth Monte who presented and explained the following: Payroll and Claims List for Approval. Sup Soderberg moved to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Sup Schatz. Motion carried.

Claims and payroll:

Claims and payroll were reviewed.

Claims of \$1606.35 with claim numbers of 4251-4263 and check numbers 10218-10227 and 10215-10217

Payroll of \$3,361.62 and check numbers 10197-10207.

Sup Floyd moved to approved the payroll and claims and Sup Soderberg seconded. Motion Carried.

Building and Grounds;

Maintenance person/ caretaker to begin building maintenance and mowing the lawn by the middle of the month (June).

Some items to be fixed:

Ladies room faucet leak.

Replacement flag for lower hall (Chief McCray has purchased).

Little Library mounted.

Roof fix/replacement on the lower hall will be discussed at a later date.

Fire: Fire report available on file.

Residents on Peninsula RD and Trygg RD have been notified by mail of the brush pick up.

The plan for the evacuation drill is to have the SLC sheriff's department/or fire personnel control traffic on Trygg and HWY 169 so "evacuees" can safely register at the command post across the highway from Trygg RD.

ENCEP evacuation to be posted on the township Facebook page.

Suggested change in the ENCEP program. Due to the growth in the ENCEP program Chief McCray has asked to designate/hire a Director for ENCEP. The ENCEP director would be the equivalent of the Assistant Fire Chief in responsibility and pay.

Chief McCray will prepare a job description of the ENCEP director for next meeting. The board will discuss at the July Board of Supervisors meeting.

Roads:

Surface stabilization (dust abatement) will take place on township roads Thursday and Friday June 17th and 18th. Roads will be graded before that.

Spruce Street discussion:

Sup Floyd has been in contact with Eagles Nest Attorney Bob Ruppe and he has set forth some steps that need to be taken towards the completion of Spruce Street.

Some of the parkland needs to be taken to accommodate the turnaround right-of-way at the end of Spruce Street.

A resolution (at this meeting) needs to be passed to set a date to hold a public hearing. There is a need to pass this resolution date tonight in order to hold the public hearing in early July because Jeff Schulze is set to start construction of Spruce Street during the second half of July.

The date of Tuesday July 13, 2021 at 7pm was identified by board members.

Notice of public hearing must be posted on the town hall bulletin board. Hearing notice will also be posted in the Timberjay the township website and on the township Facebook page. An affidavit of posting will be signed and notarized after the public meeting notice has been posted.

An amendment to the original resolution draft to include the language "is currently dedicated as park land for the township and abuts land owned by the following".

Sup Soderberg moved and Sup Schatz seconded to approve the Resolution Setting Public Hearing for the Alteration of Spruce Street as amended. Motion carries.

Rich Floyd will serve the petition of the alteration of Spruce Street, The Resolution Setting Public Hearing, the notice of Public Hearing to Dave Kromer and the township attorneys will hire someone to serve Asa Turner in Indiana.

Land, water and website: Report available on file
Website has been updated with changes to how dates of minutes are displayed.

Emergency Preparedness:
Nothing at this time.

Old Business:

ATV trail discussion:

Sup Soderberg explained that the trail that will connect Ely to Tower will be completed in mid-July. The preferred route for the trail would head south off the Purvis RD and would cross the Beaver River over a large bog. There may be funding for the bridge but it has not been approved yet. He explained that in the meantime the alternate route that would connect Ely to Tower would run from the end of the Purvis Road using the Bear Head State Park Road, the Walsh Road and Swanson Shores Road to connect to the Taconite Trail.

There are currently no other options for an alternate route.

Residents and Supervisors are concerned with the increased traffic, noise and the possibility of accidents on Bear Head State Park Road and Walsh Road.

The DNR and Ron Potter expressed that they were hopeful there would be legislation to allow ATV traffic through the park to connect and run on the Taconite trail.

New Business:

Sup Sherman discussed the different versions of the rental agreement and policies. The most recent agreement /policy was given to Sup Sherman from former building and grounds Supervisor Larry Anderson. Sup Sherman explained all the changes that may have been adopted in the final version that was given to him.

Clerk Drange asked about the approval of reoccurring events with the Quilting groups on Wednesdays, The Sewing groups on Tuesdays and Eagles Nest Lake Association the third Thursday of from June to October. Approval was given for these events.

The board discussed rates for rental fees. The final fee prices that were approved are as follows:

The application fee (nonrefundable) was held at \$10.

Events for residents (tax payers within the township)

Events lasting 2 hours or less: \$25

Events lasting more than 2 hours: \$50 (multi day events will be approved on a case-by-case basis)

Events for non-residents

Events lasting less than 2 hours or less: \$100

Events lasting more than 2 hours: \$175 (multi day events will be approved on a case-by-case basis)

Kitchen rental for residents and nonresidents (for non-community events): \$100

Audio visual equipment rental: \$25 flat fee

Damage deposit no alcohol (refundable): \$200

Damage deposit (refundable) resident damage deposit when alcohol is served: \$300

Damage deposit (refundable) non-resident damage deposit when alcohol is served: \$500

Rental of the lower hall fee will be ½ the price of the rental fees of the upper hall. With the exception of the damage deposit which will remain the same.

Board sponsored groups (ENCEP, Fire, Park Committee) will have priority to use the hall over non board sponsored groups should the requested rental time be at the same time. Next priority will be given to community groups (ENTLA, Sewing groups, seniors etc.).

Sup Soderberg moved and Sup Floyd Seconded the approval of the updated rental policy and fees. Motion carries.

Clerk Drange will update rental application and rental policy.

Sup Soderberg moved and seconded by Sup Floyd to deny a recently-requested multi-day garage sale event. Motion carries.

Supervisor Concerns:

Sup Schatz had a call to use the tables and chairs for Bud Van Deusen's daughter's wedding off the property.

Use of tables and chairs from the lower hall will be on a case-by-case basis.

Sup Schatz will inventory what tables and chairs the township has in the lower hall and will get an inventory of what Bud has taken.

Sup Sherman asked the board where the Eagles Nest Sign should be permanently moved to. Two locations discussed were north of the garden or south of the where the trail is proposed. Sup Sherman will discuss options with the construction group at the pre-construction meeting.

Adjournment:

Sup Schatz moved, seconded by Sup Sherman to adjourn. Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at 9:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Keely Drange, Clerk