

Homestead Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
Homestead Township Hall
11508 Honor Highway
Honor, MI 49640
June 3, 2008 at 7:00P.M.

A regular meeting of the Homestead Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chair Cathy Demitroff.

Present: Cathy Demitroff, Shelley Rosa, Mary Geetings, and Zelda Gray. Absent Matt Miller

Also present: Roger Hubbell, Denis Rokicki, Todd Warren, Katrina Smith, Patti Geetings, Katherine Ralston and John Brozoski.

The entire audience participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA : Motion by Rosa to approve the agenda as amended, to include Revise HazMat Contract - Painting of Handicap Signs - Paint Sign out Front, and the Benzie Planning Commission 20 / 20 Committee. Support Gray. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES : Motion by Gray to accept the May 5th minutes as presented. Support Rosa. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT : Motion by Geetings, support Gray to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CLERK'S REPORT : Motion by Rosa, support Demitroff to accept the Clerk's Reports as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS :

General Fund - Motion by Rosa to pay the General Fund Bills. Support Geetings. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Fire Millage - Motion by Rosa, support Gray to pay the Fire Department Bills. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried

Park Bills: - Motion by Gray, support Rosa to pay the Park and Rec Bills. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: - Letter of Resignation from Frank Walterhouse, resigning from Park Manager and Fire Chief positions. Motion by Gray to read letter to everyone, but take no action regarding it's content. Support Demitroff. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Thank you note from Jeffie Jones and the Benzie Food Partners

Thank you note from the Homestead Skate Park Supporters

Benzie County Tax Collection Report

PUBLIC IN PUT: Patti Geetings - Why isn't there a concession stand? Why does the board point fingers at each other?

NEW BUSINESS:

Park and Rec Tribal Grant - Denis Rokicki and Katrina Smith presented to the Board a Letter of Application for a Grant they want to submit to the GTB Legal Department, on behalf of the Park and Rec Committee. Motion by Gray, support Rosa to allow the Park and Rec Committee to submit the Letter of Application to the GTB Legal Department for a grant for park improvements. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

50/50 Raffle License - The Park and Rec Committee would like to hold 50 /50 raffle drawings to help raise money for park improvements. There is a fee of \$100.00 dollars for the license, that Denis Rokicki has volunteered to cover the cost. Motion by Gray to allow the Park and Rec Committee apply for a license to hold 50/50 raffle drawings, with the license fee being paid for by Denis Rokicki. Support Rosa. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Cemetery Lot Purchases - Proposing that the Twp charge non-residents \$300.00 per lot. Discussion followed. The board chooses to postpone until next month.

Zoning Administrator Contract - Motion by Rosa to approve William Consulting Services's Agreement, and to have the Zoning Representative, Zelda Gray as the official representative of the client. Support Gray. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Gray to have Cathy Demitroff sign the contract on behalf of the Twp Board. Support Rosa. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Painting - Motion by Geetings to allow Demitroff to speak with Jim Muchler about painting the Handicap Signs in the back of the Twp Hall, and the Bill Board sign out front. Support Gray. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

HazMat - Motion by Gray to amend the Service Agreement with HazMat, and increase the contract for the 2008-2009 service agreement. Support Rosa. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Benzie Planning Commission Comprehensive 20/20 Plan - would like one member and 1 alternate to sit on the board. Zelda Gray to talk to the Joint Planning Committee to see if there is anyone interested in joining. This will be review or postpone until the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS - Recycling Resolution - Motion by Geetings, support Rosa to adopt the Resolution of Support for the Green Benzie Business Recycling Initiative. Support Rosa. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Concession Park and Rec - The concession stand needs a license to operate. Motion by Gray to purchase the license as soon as possible. Support Rosa. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Rosa to have the License Fee of \$180.00 be the Contract Fee to operate the Concession Stand. Support Gray. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Homestead Rec Park - No Report

Fire Dept - No Report

Joint Planning - The Zoning Ordinance is at Legal Review. Tentative open house meetings are scheduled for July 21 and 22.

PUBLIC IN- PUT -

Patti Geetings - Thanks to the Board for getting involved and taking an interest in the park. We want and need a concession stand at the park. We need new playground equipment. The Park would not be a Park without Frank

Walterhouse. Do not discourage him. His whole heart is the Park, and this community. The park is a place for the community to gather and enjoy, a place to watch my son and nephews play ball. My hope is that Frank comes back. I would like to see the board draft a letter encouraging him to not step down.

Roger Hubbell - Thanks to the Twp Board for signing Mr. Williams Service Contract.

Denis Rokicki - Thanks to the board for the use of the Park on Sunday - June 22, 1:00 to 5:00 for a Fund Raiser.

Cathy Demitroff - Reminder benefit pancake breakfast for the Coho Festival on June 15, Fathers Day from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Shelley Rosa - Has the park committee thought about putting porta potties in the park?

Patti Geetings - The park feels that would be a waste of money for porta potties, put the cost towards a real facility, porta potties are no different then what we have.

ADJOURN - Motion by Gray, support Rosa to adjourn. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Geetings, Clerk Cathy Demitroff, Supervisor