

BATES TOWNSHIP BOARD

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Bates Township Board was held on Wednesday – July 11, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

Supervisor Oberlin called the meeting to order; Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken with Supervisor Oberlin, Clerk Benson-Stafford, Treasurer Nelson, Trustees Bobnock and Franzene were present. Also in attendance were Water/Sewer Superintendent Benson; ZA Oberlin; Larry Nelson-PC; Mike Stafford, Parks & Rec- ICECA; Mike Golas, Parks & Rec-Sunset Lake Assn; Park Hosts; Residents. Assr Erhart and County Comm Brennan were absent.

ATTENDEES

A motion was made by Trustee Franzene to approve the minutes. Supported by Bobnock. All ayes. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Treasurer's report for the month of June 2018 was submitted. A motion was made by Clerk Benson-Stafford to accept the report. Supported by Bobnock. Roll call vote: Oberlin, yes; Bobnock, yes; Nelson, yes; Franzene, yes; Benson-Stafford, yes. Unanimous. Motion carried. A full report will be kept on file for audit.

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| General Fund: | \$ 139,337.83 |
| Sewer Fund: | \$ 109,294.54 |
| Water Fund: | \$ 371,896.15 |
| Road Fund: | \$ 210,133.64 |
| Liquor Law: | \$ |

FINANCIAL REPORT

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORT – Commissioner Brennan was absent.

COUNTY COMM REPORT

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Road Projects- Supervisor Oberlin stated that the East & West Park Drive bids were approved. There will be no more chip seal this year because the jobs had to be rebid. The ICRC will hold over the \$15000 to next year which will give the township \$30,000.

ROAD PROJECTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Zoning Update – ZA Oberlin gave his report. There were 3 new permits issued. 1 variance was approved from a meeting held on 5/29/18. 1 new inquiries. He was unable to complete the bar inspection because the bar was closed. Permits issued to date in 2018 = 13. A copy of the report is on file with the Clerk.

ZONING UPDATE

Master Plan – The Planning Commission met on 7/10/18. There were additional changes made. The plan has been sent back to WUPPDR.

MASTER PLAN

Street Lighting – Supervisor Oberlin and Trustee Franzene presented the board with a final list of the lights to be shut off. Oberlin is hoping the township will save as much as \$4000 annually. Some of the lights will be replaced with the township's own lighting. A motion was made by Nelson to accept the proposed list of lights that will go dark. Supported by Bobnock. Roll call vote: Franzene, yes; Benson-Stafford, yes; Oberlin, yes; Bobnock, yes; Nelson, yes. Unanimous. Motion carried. A copy of the list is on file with the Clerk.

STREET LIGHTING

Bates Park Swim Raft – Treasurer Nelson stated that she has heard that the current condition of the raft has sharp edges, some rotting boards and screws sticking up. Public Works Benson will take a look at it. Oberlin stated that if it has to be replaced it could wait until next year. No action taken.

BATES PARK SWIM RAFT

Bates Township Signage – Clerk Benson-Stafford reached the original Vendor. A motion was made by Oberlin to accept the bid of 3 sign sides @ \$35/each to add 2018 to the sign. Supported by Franzene. All ayes. Motion carried.

BATES TWP SIGNAGE

Park Showers / Pay per Shower – Supervisor Oberlin stated that he would like to try and get through this year without doing a locked door renovation. Park Hosts have been turning off the hot water. When a shower is paid for they turn the hot water on. It seems to be working as a temporary fix. One Resident cautioned that there could be damage to the showers if the hot water is not on. The Board agreed that we will try to get through this year before taking action.

PARK SHOWERS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (cont'd)

Bates School Sink Conversion – Clerk Benson-Stafford stated that Ahlberg will be doing a GFCI outlet for the dishwasher. The sink conversion will be done soon.

BATES
SCHOOL
SINK
CONVERT

Bates Township Janitorial –Clerk Benson-Stafford stated that she has been found a Janitor and is negotiating with the Janitor and the DIISD.

BATES
SCHOOL
JANITORIAL

Littering Ordinance – Clerk Benson-Stafford stated that within less than a week of the township cleanup there was new litter on the Bates Gaastra Rd. She would like to talk with the Township Attorney to see what the law will allow for more strict penalties. The ordinance will be given to the attorney for review.

LITTERING
ORDINANCE

NEW BUSINESS

Attorney Report – Nothing new to report.

ATTORNEY
REPORT

Assessor Report – Nothing new to report.

ASSESSOR
REPORT

Bates Park –DEQ Mandates – There was a list of MDEQ mandates regarding the park and campground. Supervisor Oberlin will talk with the new Health Inspector to see if these items are all required. No action taken.

PARK MDEQ
REQUIRE-
MENTS

Anderson Road Waterline – Supervisor Oberlin wanted the Board to think about a date of last service for the current private line servicing the 4 homes on Anderson Rd. Public Works Benson will talk to the newest homeowner that indicated he might do the work to replace the line. No action taken.

ANDERSON
RD WTLN

HALL, WATER, SEWER REPORTS...

Hall/Shop–Nothing new to report. / Water – MDOT Waterline Conflict Project is underway. There will be a re-bore on Kellstrom. / Sewer – Cleanout project will begin the next week. / Constable – Nothing new to report. / Cemetery – Nothing new to report. / Backhoe – Nothing new to report. / Park – Pat gave their report. The Hosts are implementing the “pay at the time of reservation.” There is some abuse of the boats using the fishing pier for short term docking. The campground map on the website needs to be updated. The boat wash has been used regularly this year. Campers seem to respect the new generator rules. ORV’s have been causing problems/danger with no regard for the guests. Oberlin told the Hosts to call the police when this happens.

GUEST COMMENTS

- Property owner thanked the board for doing dust control on Parks Farm Road.
- Linda Golas thanked Ed and the Board for the Bates Park/Sunset Lake sign at Sections 16 Rd and Bates Amasa Road.

CORRESPONDENCE

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INVOICE APPROVAL

A motion was made by Trustee Franzene to pay the township invoices. Supported by Trustee Bobnock. Roll call vote: Benson-Stafford, yes; Franzene, yes; Bobnock, yes; Oberlin, yes; Nelson, yes. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Treasurer Nelson to adjourn. Supported by Trustee Bobnock. The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm. All ayes. Motion carried. Next regular meeting will be held at the Twp Hall on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 @ 6:00 PM.

Barbara Benson-Stafford, Clerk
Date Approved: _____