

CANNON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

Supervisor Steve Grimm called the regular meeting of the Cannon Township Board to order at 7:00 pm. Clerk Deb Diepenhorst offered the invocation.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Grimm, Clerk Diepenhorst, Treasurer McKay, Trustees Alles, Brod, Davies, Spencer

**AGENDA & CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 1) Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting – August 27, 2018
- 2) Approval of Bills: General Fund #13914 - #13948, Sewer Construction #170
- 3) Planning Commission Minutes August 14, 2018, Draft Minutes

**Motion by Kim McKay, supported by Jim Alles, to approve the Agenda and the Consent Agenda. Roll call vote: Davies-yes, Diepenhorst-yes, Grimm-yes, McKay-yes, Spencer yes, Alles-yes, Brod-yes. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

**BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**PENDING BUSINESS**

**1) Water Update – No Report**

**2) West Michigan Tree Services Maintenance Proposal (McKay)**

Nick Clement, West Michigan Tree Services, gave an overview of his maintenance proposal for the Cannon Township Trail, in the amount of \$59,987.00. The biggest concern this spring was the dead trees which the Township paid \$33,000 to have them removed. His recommendation is to clear the brush and limb overgrowth by 3', raise the tree canopy to approximately 15', and remove the dead, broken and hazardous limbs 2" in diameter and larger of the entire trail.

After hearing comments from each Board member, Mr. Grimm suggested to send this back to the Recreation Committee to develop a hierarchy on what needs to be done and what can be put off for a long-term maintenance schedule.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1) RESOLUTION 2018-17 Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day**

**Motion by Steve Grimm, supported by Terry Brod, to adopt RESOLUTION 2018-17, that Friday, September 21, 2018 be designated as "POW – MIA Recognition Day". Roll call vote: Diepenhorst-yes, Grimm-yes, McKay-yes, Spencer yes, Alles-yes, Brod-yes, Davies-yes. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

**2) RESOLUTION 2018-18 Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC) Amendment**

**Motion by Deb Diepenhorst, supported by Jim Alles, to adopt RESOLUTION 2018-18 approving Amendment No. 40 (Addition of the Village of Caledonia) in the Articles of Incorporation of GVMC. Voice vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

**3) New Fire Department Hires – (Chief Morris)**

**Motion by Jim Alles, supported by Kim McKay, to hire Andrew Schlosser and Andrew Manning as Paid on Call Firefighters. Voice vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

**4) Proposed Revision to RESOLUTION 2018-13 Verbena Open Space (Anderson)**

Resolution 2018-13 Verbena Site Condominium adopted April 23, 2018 needs to be amended due to an oversight of the modified rural residential setbacks that were shown on the approved plan and not reflected in the resolution.

**Motion by Jim Alles, supported by Terry Brod, to amend Section 4 of Resolution 2018-13 Verbena Site Condominium R-R Compliance to read as follows: Except with respect to minimum lot area and width, and front, side and rear setbacks, which have been approved pursuant to the provisions for an open space development, all buildings and uses shall comply with all applicable regulations of the R-R zoning district as to permitted use, minimum floor area, height, accessory buildings, and all other applicable regulations of the zoning ordinance. Voice vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

**5) Proposed Gate Ordinance (Grimm) - Tabled**

Attorney Jim Scales letter (8/31/18) summarizes the features/proposed changes to Ordinance No. 2015-6 pertaining to Residential Access Gates. The purpose of the ordinance is to allow gates in certain limited circumstances, while retaining the general prohibition against gates on most properties in the Township. After hearing comments from each Board member, Mr. Grimm, Attorney Scales, Chief Morris and Tricia Anderson will meet to discuss language reflecting aesthetics, possible requirement of more acreage, and the Fire Chief's recommendation for Knox box installations. The number of parcels that this could potentially apply to will also be identified for the Board. A couple of versions will be provided at the next Board meeting.

**6) Consider Approval of Tentative Preliminary Plat – Orchard View Phase 1**

Zoning Administrator Anderson's memo (9/4/18) provides an overview of the process and steps necessary for the applicant to obtain approval of the tentative preliminary plat for Phase 1 (Units 1 – 43) of Orchard View. Mr. Brod, PC Representative, noted that the applicant received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission with only one vote against it. There were some changes made to the sidewalks by Crestwood School and some turn lanes added at the expense of the developer. Mr. Brod noted that the Planning Commission did a good job; it meets all the necessary criteria.

**Motion by Terry Brod, supported by Deb Diepenhorst, to approve the Orchard View Tentative Preliminary Plat Phase 1 (Units 1 – 43) in accordance with the drawing provided in the Board packet. Voice vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE: None**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**1) Road Committee (Alles)** West MI Tree Service is scheduled to remove the trees on Cristo Drive. As soon as the trees are removed the concrete will be repaired. This should be completed within the next month.

**2) Planning Commission Update (Brod)** The Planning Commission will be addressing a modification to the Summerset Meadows PUD; an addition of 12 houses.

**COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS:**

**Diepenhorst** – The Clerk’s office received a FOIA request for items from the November 2016 General Election.

**EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT – 8:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy L. Popma, CMC/MMC/CMMC  
Cannon Township Deputy Clerk

Respectfully submitted:

Deb Diepenhorst  
Cannon Township Clerk