

**PROPOSED
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
ROCK RIVER TOWNSHIP
JUNE 20TH, 2023**

Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:06pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Teri Grout, Janet Braun, Maria Strand, Rowan Bunce, Trevor Case

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Kathy LaRock, Tammy Shega, Alex Kolton, Jarrod Bieber, Jana H. , James Seppanen, Ron LeJeune, Jenny LeJeune, Scott Bunce, Dan Johnson, Nathaniel Wood, Jennifer Wood, Robin Maki, Jim Rondeau, Tara Rondeau

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public Comment heard. Alger Conservation District working on Community Gardens on Onota Street.

MINUTES: Motion to approve board minutes of May, by Bunce, second Strand. MCU

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT: Report presented, reviewed and placed in file for audit.

PAY BILLS: Motion to pay bills (\$36,175.20) with debits/checks #18250-18280 by Case, second Bunce. MCU

- Motion to amend agenda by Bunce, seconded Case to move Conditional Use Permits from Planning Commission section to New Business Section.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: Two Conditional Use Hearings brought approval to vacation rentals conditional use permits.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Regular meeting was Monday June 12th. Included Lindquist Conditional Use Permit Approval, Saberniak Conditional Use Permit Approval. Still no recommendations for the board for conditional use permits documents received before moratorium deadline.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Report - Resolution presented for switching Board of Review Date in July from Tuesday the 18th moved to Wednesday the 19th at 4:00pm. Bunce motions to approve resolution to set an alternate date, Strand seconds. Roll Call Vote, Braun, Case, Grout, Bunce, Strand, AYE - MCU - **NEW DATE FOR BOARD OF REVIEW DATE WEDNESDAY, JULY 19TH 4:00PM.**

FIRE DEPT: Brush Fire assistance, pickup truck fire, responded to car rollover during string of vehicles stolen. Hose testing completed. Compressor testing completed. New pumper truck build should be started in September. Firefighter association meeting held at our fire station on June 19th.

CEMETERY REPORT: 13 Burials so far this in May and June, 10 Plot sales, Lots of head/footstones being placed.

LIBRARY: Number of visitors has doubled from May 2022 to May 2023 - Walking group on Saturday mornings established. Meet the local farmers event was held. Drawing class, book club, and summer reading program has begun as of June. Game day last Saturday was successful. This Saturday, a community wide yard sale will include retired library books. Looking into youth and volunteering hours at the library.

SKI HILL: Closed for the season. Shipping container arrived for storage.

CORRESPONDENCE: 1.)DNR Online Land Auction Notice 2.) Upper Michigan Energy Resources Corp 3.)ERIC Cease and Desist Letter

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: 1.) Trustee Case got final approval from the state and county for street signs to be constructed on top of 'STOP' signs. This opens more funds for more street signs to be replaced without having to purchase new posts. Trustee Case also implemented the township's dust control plan which included more road coverage this year while also partnering with the village to cover Valley Dr.

NEW BUSINESS: 1.) Sand pit policy and price review - 40 acres including good construction sand is available for purchase from the township. The township and forest service are considering trade of property between this sand pit and the ski hill property within the future years. As of now ACRC recommends prices of \$1.50 - \$2.00 per cubic foot. Case motions to establish a policy that any sand already taken in 2023 will be charged \$1.50, future removal will be \$2.00 per and will only be available for township residents and township construction projects. Bunce seconds. Roll Call Vote : Braun, Case, Grout, Bunce, Strand, AYE. MCU

2.) Newsletter items : Tax Bills coming out by July. Newsletter items to Library Events / Electronics / Appliance Recycling Facility / County Fair / Harvest Festival November 4th, Saturday.

3.) Conditional Use Permit Ordinance was presented by Trustee Bunce: Bunce makes a motion, Case second to send the proposed rental ordinance to the planning commission for review. MCU.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS OR PUBLIC COMMENT: 1.) Public Comment heard. Jim Rondeau wanted to affirm that the planning commission has voted on vacation rentals becoming a permitted use versus conditional use at their meeting.

Motion Bunce, 2nd Case to adjourn meeting. MCU Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.

Maria Strand, Clerk

Teresa Grout, Supervisor

proposed minutes, subject to approval

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JULY 18TH, 2023, AT 7PM AT THE TWP. HALL