

MARKEY TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2023

Regular meeting of the Markey Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Supervisor Pray, Trustee Bell, Treasurer Engle, Trustee Donaldson and Clerk Tussey. Sixteen people in attendance. Three on zoom.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Pray to approve the consent agenda to include minutes of the regular meeting of August 14, 2023 and the Treasurer's report and bills to include Fahey, Schultz, Burzych, Rhodes, PLC - \$1,037.50 and A Touch of Care Landscaping \$7500. All in favor. MC.

Public Comments: How do we know how many Short Term Rentals there are and where are they? Bruce Balcom not happy with the placement of deer crossing signs.

Correspondence: none

Reports:

Ordinance Administrator: August report was read by Kirstie Russo.

Planning Commission: Met Sept 7th. Approved site plan.

Fire Department: 30 EMS runs, 4 Fire runs for the month of August 2023.

Assessing Dept.: No report.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board: Ralph Kitchen gave report. Met Aug. 22nd. Open House was Aug 24th and it was a success. Dec 15th is the employee/volunteer Christmas Party.

Business Items:

FD is having a trunk or treat this year. It will be October 28th from 5pm-8pm.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Pray to seek out a price for a power washer to be split between the Fire Department and the township. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Engle, seconded by Bell to accept the letter of resignation/retirement of Robert Pray effective 9-30-23. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Tussey, seconded by Bell to appoint Joanne Donaldson as Supervisor effective 10-1-23 until 11-20-2024. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Tussey, (no second) that we hire Norma's Pest Control to spray the whole township hall for \$400. Failed due to lack of support.

Motion by Pray, seconded by Donaldson to give our blessing to raise funds for a **pavilion** over the ice rink. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Pray, seconded by Donaldson to waive the \$350 fee for Habitat for Humanity's ZBA case. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Pray that we accept the bid from Simoni Systems Inc. to purchase and install acoustical panels in the township hall at a cost of \$13,434. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Tussey, seconded by Pray to accept the bid from Superior Dirt Works to put in a limestone parking lot in the front of Markey Memorial Park at a cost of \$29,000. Three ayes, two nays. MC.

Motion by Pray, seconded by Tussey that we switch to Hi-Tech IT services as long as we can get out of our current service with VC3. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Tussey to appoint Stan Gardner to the Planning Commission until September 12, 2026. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bell that we not appoint Hal Hackett to the Planning Commission. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bell that we make a budget adjustment by adding \$1000 to the clerk education and take it from contingency. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Tussey to amend the Short-Term Rental Ordinance with Ordinance #59A with changes to Section 5. Application and to Section 6. Regulations. Roll call vote: Trustee Bell –aye, Treasurer Engle – aye, Supervisor Pray – aye, Trustee Donaldson – aye, Clerk Tussey – aye. Passed unanimously. It shall take effect on October 13, 2023. See Ordinance #59A to read it in its entirety. See attached.

Announcements: Markey Merchants Market is September 16, 2023 from 9am-4pm. There will be a food truck and some music. We are still accepting bottle/can donations. Next regular meeting is October 9, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Pray to adjourn at 8:23pm. All in favor. MC.

Minutes taken by:
Sheryl Tussey, Clerk
Approved by Board