

APPROVED

CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 9, 2018

The August 9, 2018 meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 6:30 PM. by Supervisor Bunte, with Dudiak, Rettig, Marske and Sullivan. Also present Attorney Charles Hilmer, John Gooch, of the Harbor Country News, along with several members of the community.

Supervisor Bunte led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dudiak moved, Marske supported to approve the Consent Agenda, removing the July 24, 2018 special meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees.
All ayes, motion carried.

Rettig moved, Bunte supported to accept the July 24, 2018 Special meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees.
Sullivan, Bunte, Dudiak ayes, Rettig and Marske abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Questions from the public regarding the demolition of property at 15931 were brought before the board. Advised it would be addressed under new business.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Cherry Beach project committee advised \$330,000.00 needs to be raised to continue the project. There is another \$50,000.00 grant applied for.

A motion was made by Marske, supported by Rettig for demolition of the property at 15931 Lakeshore Road, Unit 1 in Union Pier to be completed 21 days after this decision for additional time for the owners to respond. The cost of demolition would be a township expense and would become a lien on the property.
All ayes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A presentation was given by Mark Prein, engineer for the Galien River Sanitation District, to present current findings of the SAW grant and the challenges facing the GRSD.

Ryan Postema, executive director of Chikaming Open Lands gave a presentation reviewing their property acquisition criteria in the surrounding areas.

A motion was made by Marske, supported by Sullivan to accept and approve Supervisor Bunte to sign a Professional Services Agreement between Chikaming township, Michigan and SAFEbuilt Michigan, LLC for the Building and Zoning department.
All ayes, motion carried.

A resolution for a Speed Study request to be sent to Berrien County Road Department in cooperation with the Michigan State Police was presented to the board for Tower Hill Road.

By roll call vote:

Yeas: Dudiak, Marske, Sullivan, Bunte, Rettig

Nays: None

Resolution declared adopted.

A resolution for a Speed Study request to be sent to Berrien County Road Department in cooperation with the Michigan State Police was presented to the board for Holloway Drive.

By roll call vote:

Yeas: Marske, Dudiak, Bunte, Rettig, Sullivan

Nays: None

Resolution declared adopted.

A motion was made by Marske, supported by Rettig to extend a Special Land Use permit to operate a multi-family apartment at 9663 Berrien Street per owners diagram, reducing units from 6 to 5 with 9 offsite parking spaces. Documentation was submitted to the board documenting back to the 1960's when it was used as a multi-family apartment.

All ayes, motion carried.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Questions were asked regarding Chikaming Open Lands pledging to the Cherry Beach Committee project. This is not their typical practice and did not meet their criteria.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

Supervisor Bunte thanked the Clerk, Kim Swartz(Chair) and Barb Anderson, Deputy Clerk for a job well done at the current August 7, 2018 primary with a 34.8% voter turnout.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM, by Rettig, supported by Sullivan.

All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

Paula Dudiak
Chikaming Township Clerk