

FOREST HOME TOWNSHIP

Regular Meeting

July 2, 2020

7:00 P.M.

Officers Present: Steiner, Mahan, Smith, Crandall, Kent

Guests: S. Barnard, D. Bean, A. Albert

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Kent to approve the Agenda. Seconded by Crandall and carried.

Public Comment:

Sheriff Bean went over the May 2020 incident report versus May 2019. He also asked the Board to consider holding a joint meeting between townships and the Sheriff's Department to discuss the possibility of a countywide fireworks ordinance that would enable county law enforcement personnel to address citizen complaints equitably. He then went over some misunderstood aspects of the proposed new jail/administrative building.

DNR Law Enforcement officer, Andrea Albert has requested that Forest Home Township consider holding a public hearing regarding a slow/no wake zone on Clam River into Torch Lake due to increased boat traffic in that area.

Motion by Crandall to explore steps needed to establish slow/no wake zones at congested areas on Clam River into Torch Lake. Seconded by Kent and carried.

Supervisor Smith explained a proposed project by the Glacial Hills Board that they would like to accomplish this year. The Plans would include increasing the parking lot area, adding electricity, and adding a water hydrant all at the Eckhardt Rd. entrance to the trails.

Motion by Crandall to approve the Glacial Hills plans as outlined for the Eckhardt Rd. entrance this year. Seconded by Steiner and carried.

Motion by Smith to approve the annual maintenance fee of \$5000 to be given to Glacial Hills as our share of maintenance costs. Seconded by Mahan and carried.

Motion by Mahan to approve the addition of Barry Cole as a Forest Home Township legal representative. Seconded by Kent and carried.

Motion by Kent to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2020 Regular Meeting. Seconded by Crandall and carried.

Motion by Steiner to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2020 Special Meeting. Seconded by Kent and carried.

Motion by Kent to approve expenditures in the amount of \$26,569.85 for April 2020; \$43,980.52 for May 2020; and \$55,928.41 for June 2020. Seconded by Crandall and carried.

The Treasurer's Report was given.

Planning Commission Update: Discussion included wording for a proposed township questionnaire/survey regarding Short Term Rentals and the possibility of adding a question regarding a Blight Ordinance.

Parks & Recreation Commission Update: Accesses are in good shape. The annual Access Tour by members of the Commission was not possible this year due to Covid 19.

Correspondence:

Public Comment:

The next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, August 6, 2020 (Regular Schedule) depending on State Covid19 actions.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Suzanne C. Mahan, Clerk