

# BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

July 14, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Chad VanSyckle, Treasurer Melissa VanSyckle, Clerk Penelope Ypma, Trustee Mike Altoft, Trustee Jake Ypma.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor VanSyckle.

**Pledge of Allegiance** to the flag was recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** 2 County Officers were present at the meeting, Sargent Shawn Olmstead and Isaac Yonkers. A representative from *The Hastings Banner* was present and 19 guests. 5 people spoke against the noise ordinance.

**GUESTS:** Representative from Julie Caley's office. Shawn Benner announced a name change to his business (Kenai Red Properties).

**MINUTES:** Without objection or correction, the June 9, 2020 minutes were approved. Moved by P. Ypma, supported by C. VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Report provided. No discussion. Approved as read.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** Clerk Ypma presented the board with a handout from Quality Management, Mark Bishop. Trustee M. Altoft will contact Mark regarding handout and care for the pheasant preserve planted around the township hall.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:** Supervisor VanSyckle reported the cost to install an approach on Mixer Road is \$60,000.

**APPROVE WARRANTS:** Moved by J. Ypma, supported by M. Altoft, to approve payment for checks # 12228-12249 in the amount of \$72,613.98. No discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

**ADOPT AMENDMENT TO ADD DECIBELS TO NOISE ORDINANCE:** Moved by J. Ypma, supported by P. Ypma, to keep the current noise ordinance and add the decibels. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** C. VanSyckle – NO M. VanSyckle – NO J. Ypma – YES M. Altoft – YES P. Ypma – YES Motion carried.

**FARMER'S MARKET APPROVAL –** Moved by M. VanSyckle, supported by P. Ypma, to approve for farmer's market at the township hall. Rental space to be \$15 per space and held on Thursday's and Sunday's. Treasurer VanSyckle will manage rental spaces. All ayes. Motion carried.

**HALL RENTAL DURING COVID –** the board all agreed to continue with not renting the hall during the time of the pandemic.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** Commissioner Heather Wing presented a report.

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**LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT:** Kim DeMott asked if the people on the opposite side of the noise ordinance were aware that the noise ordinance was on the agenda to address their opinion on the noise ordinance. Matthew Titmus arrived late and reported the supervisor did not give enough time to speak during the first public comment. Sue Willison reported that it would be nice if neighbors were respectful, but that doesn't always happen. Buzz Storm spoke against the noise ordinance. Aaron VanSyckle asked the question, how do we petition to overturn the vote on the noise ordinance? Supervisor C. VanSyckle said he did not know, but would look into it.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

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Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

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Date

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Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

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Date