

PARK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 10, 2009

ART 1. CALL TO ORDER
Supervisor Amanda Price called to order the regular meeting of the Park Township Board held on August 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Park Township Office.

Present were Supervisor Amanda Price, Treasurer Jan Steggerda, Trustees Doug Dreyer, Bob Ellis, Jerry Hunsburger, Michael Toscano, Attorney Dan Martin, and Manager Jerry Felix.

ART 2. INVOCATION – Jerry Hunsburger

ART 3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Ryan-Lakewood Elementary

ART 4 APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Additions to or Deletions from Agenda)

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Hunsburger and supported by Ellis to approve the agenda with the exception of the treasurer's report. (6-0)

ART 5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approve minutes of August 13 & August 25 2009 Board Meeting
- b) Planning/Zoning Code Enforcement Report
- c) Payment of Bills

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Steggerda and supported by Dreyer to approve the consent agenda. (6-0)

ART 6. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- a) Public Safety Report
Chief Gamby gave an update of the status of the fire department.
- b) Sheriff's 5 year Incident Report
Sgt. Ed deVries gave an explanation on the report from the Sheriff's office.

ART 7. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (2 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Price opened the public comment period.

11 people spoke at the public comment period.

Price closed the public comment period.

ART 8. Public Hearings

- a) Tiara Yachts

Price explained the PUD request.

Felix made additional comments regarding the request concerning parking and alcohol.

David Slikkers presented the request to the board.

Counsel for Tiara Yachts gave some history of the Yachting Center and restated the request.

Arendshorst (Planning Commission Chair) stated reasons the Planning Commission denied the request.

Price opened the public hearing.

Dee Graves, Jim Kewell & Donna Nugent spoke against the PUD request.

Price closed the public hearing.

The board discussed the request.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION TABLED: A motion was made by Toscano and supported by Ellis to table the item. (6-0)

The board suggested Mr. Slikkers work with Mr. Felix to adjust the PUD request.

ART 9.

Proposed Ordinances

a) Cost Recovery Ordinance

Felix explained the ordinance and the changes made to the document.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Toscano and supported by Steggerda to remove the item from the table. (6-0)

The board discussed the motion.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Toscano and supported by Ellis to approve the Cost Recovery Ordinance as amended Subsection H-4 of section 2 to include the words "or renters of vehicles" after owners. (6-0)

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Toscano and supported by Steggerda to approve the Cost Recovery Ordinance as amended. (6-0)

b) Pronto Pups Conditional Zoning

The board discussed the zoning request.

Martin described the three standards the board needs to consider when deciding on the item.

The Supervisor allowed the applicant to comment on the items of discussion at the suggestion of counsel.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Hunsburger and supported by Toscano to support the recommendation of the planning commission to deny the conditional rezoning. (5-1 Dreyer).

c) Wind Energy Ordinance

Price stated the ordinance was modeled after the Ottawa County ordinance but modified for Park Township.

Jim Visser, a township resident with experience in the field of wind energy, gave suggestions on changes to the ordinance

The board discussed the ordinance and its provisions.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Hunsburger and supported by Steggerda to refer the wind energy ordinance back to the planning commission. (6-0)

ART 10. BID OPENINGS/CONTRACT AWARDS/PURCHASES

a) Post Ave. Storm Sewer

Felix explained the project and stated the funding will come from the Township Improvement Fund. He also informed the board neighbors can purchase a lateral for \$1000 to get the storm sewer to their property line.

Bill Chappell from Driesenga and Associates stated this project should be complete before the end of this construction season.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Toscano and supported by Steggerda to award the contract to Ron Meyer and Associates Excavating to perform the Post Avenue storm sewer project at a cost of \$116,965.97 less any cost recovered by identified properties. (6-0)

b) Standby Power

Felix explained the item stemming from recent Township power outages. He stated funds for this project will come from the Township Improvement Fund.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Hunsburger and supported by Steggerda to award the bid to Hoekstra Electric for standby power at Station #1 & #2 at the cost of \$49,800. (6-0)

c) Purchase of Additional Software

Felix explained the reason to purchase additional software for the assessing and tax program from BS & A. The funds for the software would come from the General Fund Computer Services.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Steggerda and supported by Price to approve purchase of software from BS&A at a cost of \$14,095 spread over 2 years. (6-0)

ART 11. TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTY BOOK

Felix explained the book regarding miscellaneous parcels in the township that are owned by the township. He recommended referring the second section of the book to the planning commission for recommendations.

The board agreed.

ART 12. APPROVAL OF L-4029

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Hunsburger and supported by Steggerda to approve the tax rate requests as reflected on the L-4029. (6-0)

ART 13. BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Price outlined the committees to which board members and the manager are

assigned.

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Price and supported by Hunsburger to appoint Bob Ellis as the board representative to the Planning Commission. (6-0)

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Toscano and supported by Steggerda to appoint Lupita Reyes to the Zoning Board of Appeals. (6-0)

ART 14. PUBLIC COMMENT (5 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Price opened the public comment period

1 person spoke at the public comment period

Price closed the public comment period.

ART 15. MANAGER/STAFF REPORT

Felix gave a report of the status of the manager's office.

ART 16. BOARD COMMENTS

Board members gave an update of the meetings they attended.

ART 17. ADJOURN

MOTION MADE; MOTION SUPPORTED; MOTION CARRIED: A motion was made by Steggerda and supported by Ellis to adjourn at 10:40pm. (6-0)