

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
ROBINSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD 10/17/11 AT 7:30 P.M.**

PRESENT:

TRACY MULLIGAN
JACKIE FRYE
BONNIE HAYWARD
JOHN KUYERS
BERNICE BERENS

ABSENT:

NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

RON BULTJE (TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY)
JOHN SCHULTZ (OTTAWA COUNTY PARKS DIRECTOR)
CURT TERHAAR (OTTAWA COUNTY PARKS DEPT.)
11 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

SUPERVISOR MULLIGAN OPENED THE MEETING. KUYERS GAVE AN INVOCATION AND THAT WAS FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER MINUTES. KUYERS SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA AND ADD THE CBS OUTDOOR SITE PLAN REVIEW. HAYWARD SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS ADDED TO THE AGENDA.

HAYWARD MADE A MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR OTTAWA COUNTY CONNER BAYOU PARK. BERENS SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS OPENED.

JOHN SCHULTZ AND CURT TERHAAR FROM OTTAWA COUNTY PARKS DEPT WERE INTRODUCED. THEY EXPLAINED THE MASTER PLAN WAS APPROVED IN 2010 AFTER TAKING INTO ACCOUNT RESIDENT'S COMMENTS. THEY REVIEWED A MAP OF THE PARK. THE PARK CONSISTS OF 142 ACRES.

THERE WILL BE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ENTRANCE WITH A BOULEVARD ENTRANCE AND GATE. THE DRIVEWAY WILL BE WIDENED BUT STILL BE GRAVEL. THE PARKING LOTS WILL BE PAVED. THERE WILL BE PARKING FOR 30 CARS. THERE ARE WOODED TRAILS TO THE RIVER AND AN OVERLOOK ON CONNER BAYOU. THEY ARE LOOKING TO HAVE DOCKS AND MORE OVERLOOKS AND TO DEVELOP MORE TRAILS. THE PARK WILL FEATURE BARRIER FREE ACCESS. THERE WILL BE A BEACH AREA WITH A KAYAK LAUNCH. THE LOG HOME ON THE PROPERTY WILL BE REMODELED INSIDE FOR RENTALS, WEDDINGS AND REUNIONS ETC.

THERE WILL BE A SEPARATE PARKING AREA FOR THE RENTALS. PICNIC TABLES, SHELTERS AND RUSTIC REST ROOMS WILL BE A PART OF THE PARK.

COMMENTS WERE SOLICITED FROM THE AUDIENCE.

RANDY WEAVERS STATED THERE WAS INCREASED ROAD TRAFFIC AND BECAUSE THERE IS NO CUL DE SAC. PEOPLE ARE GOING PAST THE PARK TO THE END OF THE ROAD AND TURNING AROUND BY DOING DOUGH-NUT TURNS OR USING DRIVEWAYS. THIS IS DOING DAMAGE, LEAVING RUTS ETC.

PAUL SCHWEITZER REFERRED TO A LETTER HIS FATHER WROTE URGING THIS ROAD TO BE PAVED.

RICHARD VISSAR STATED THAT A CUL DE SAC MIGHT NOT BE FEASIBLE BUT SIGNS COULD HELP. THE ROAD ENDS AT HIS DRIVE. A TURN AROUND ON STATE LAND WOULD HELP.

KURT KOELLA SAID HIS MAILBOX HAD BEEN KNOCKED OVER 3 TIMES. HE STATED HE WAS UPSET BECAUSE OF TRAFFIC CREATING DUST AND THAT THE ROAD SHOULD BE PAVED.

PAUL SCHWEITZER ADDED THAT WITH THE PARK IMPROVEMENTS THE TRAFFIC WILL JUST GET WORSE.

HAYWARD MADE A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. KUYERS SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED.

JOHN SCHULTZ STATED HE WAS HAPPY TO LOBBY OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION FOR A TURN AROUND. SUPERVISOR MULLIGAN SAID SHE WOULD ASK FOR A TRAFFIC COUNT. SHE EXPLAINED WE HAVE 44 MILES OF UNPAVED ROADS IN ROBINSON TOWNSHIP AND HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET A ROAD MILEAGE PASSED FOR ROAD PAVING.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE SINCE ALL STANDARDS HAVE BEEN MET AND THAT THE SITE PLAN AND SPECIAL USE BE APPROVED WITH THE STIPULATION THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS BE FOLLOWED. KUYERS SUPPORTED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERVISOR MULLIGAN SAID SHE WOULD TALK TO OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION REGARDING POSSIBLE SIGNS SUCH AS "DEAD END" AND "NO OUTLET." ALSO THE POSSIBILITY OF PAVING AND A TURN AROUND. JOHN SCHULTZ SAID OTTAWA COUNTY PARKS DEPT. WOULD ASSIST WITH THOSE REQUESTS.

THE NEXT ITEM TO BE DISCUSSED WAS THE SITE PLAN FOR CBS OUTDOOR TO PLACE A 10' HIGH 22' WIDE BILLBOARD ON M-45. ANDY JANSEN REPRESENTING THE COMPANY SAID THIS IS A STATIC FREE VINYL BILLBOARD. IT IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH 4.45 AND 31.8 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE. IT WILL BE PLACED ON THE N. SIDE OF M-45 AND ON THE S.E. CORNER OF PARCEL # 70 08 22 011.

KUYERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE. BERENS SUPPORTED THE MOTION A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING AYE. THE MOTION CARRIED.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AMENDMENT ORDINANCE (FLOOD AREAS) # 2011-10-04. KUYERS SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE UNANIMOUSLY.

BERENS MADE A MOTION SUPPORTED BY FRYE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-10-20 THE MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOLUTION TO MANAGE FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

BERENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED TOWNSHIP RECREATION PARK PLAN. KUYERS SUPPORTED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AND ALL MEMBERS VOTED AYE. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED. COPIES OF THE MINUTES TO BE SENT TO JOHN SCHULTZ OF OTTAWA COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION, AL VANDERBERG OTTAWA COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, W. MI SHORELINE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, AND DNR GRANTS MANAGEMENT.

THE NEW INSURANCE QUOTE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR FROM BURNHAM AND FLOWER AGENCY WAS REVIEWED. HAYWARD MADE A MOTION THAT WE ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED WITH NO CHANGES. THIS QUOTE REFLECTS A SAVINGS OF \$1076.00 OVER LAST YEAR'S COST. BERENS SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

BERENS MADE A MOTION THAT A \$100.00 DEPOSIT BE REQUESTED BEFORE BASEBALL TOURNAMENTS ARE HELD IN THE PARK IN CASE OF ANY EXTRA CLEAN UP OR DAMAGE. FRYE SUPPORTED THE MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN. AYES: KUYERS, FRYE, HAYWARD AND BERENS. NAYS: MULLIGAN. THE MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ON RESIDENT COMPLAINTS TO THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, NORP, THE CELL TOWER, MDOT IN RELATION TO THE NOISE ORDINANCE, ZBA CLASSES AT G.H. TOWNSHIP, THE PRIVATE ROAD ORDINANCE, ROBINSON TOWNSHIP PARK SIGNS AND EVIP.

KUYERS MADE A MOTION TO PAY THE BILLS. BERENS SUPPORTED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED.

KUYERS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THAT WAS SUPPORTED BY HAYWARD. THE MOTION CARRIED AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:50 P.M.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
JACKIE S. FRYE
ROBINSON TOWNSHIP CLERK**