

SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
June 12, 2018



Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.  
Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Scott, Ulsh, Feldmeier, Deputy Clerk Brown  
Members Absent: Mongreig, Hovenkamp

Other Attendees: John Gisler, Eric Jasiak, Tom and Dawn Stapert, Randy Knoll, Debbi Loomis, Kate Thomas

**Approval of Agenda** Motion by Scott with second by Feldmeier to approve the **Agenda** as presented. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Feldmeier with second by Scott to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 meeting. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Motion by Scott with second by Feldmeier to approve the **List of Bills** for payment.  
**Motion carried 3-0.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Scott reported the following for the month of May 2018:

Income	\$ 90,699.78
Expenditures	\$ 87,126.51
April 30, 2018	<u>\$ 646,711.55</u>
May 31, 2018 General Fund Balance	\$ 650,284.82

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Ulsh to approve the Treasurer's report.

**Motion carried 3-0.**

**Citizen Time:** Kalamazoo County Commissioner, John Gisler updated the board on current issues of the County Commission. He distributed a pamphlet regarding the summary of the open meeting act.

**Swan Park Report** No report was given, as Ryan Laporte is working out of town. Jeff Laporte has taken on more tasks involving the park.

**Old Business** Supervisor Ulsh is to meet with Shaun Willis of Willis Law Firm to discuss legal representation.

**New Business** The Board was presented with four proposed ordinance changes.

Parking Variation: Motion by Scott second by Feldmeier to approve zoning text amendment. Roll call: Scott-yes, Feldmeier-yes, Ulsh-yes

Keeping of Chickens and Ducks as an accessory use: Motion by Ulsh second by Feldmeier to approve zoning text amendment with clarification on #2 subsection D & E. Roll call: Scott-yes, Feldmeier-yes, Ulsh-yes. The application for chickens and ducks was also approved. Motion by Scott with second by Feldmeier.

Private Roads: Motion by Ulsh second by Scott to approve ordinance. Roll call: Scott-yes, Feldmeier-yes, Ulsh-yes

Boathouse and Dock Regulations: Motion by Feldmeier second by Ulsh to approve zoning text amendments. Roll call: Scott-yes, Feldmeier-yes, Ulsh-yes

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**The Planning Commission** Approve reappointments of Dave Reno and Barry Visel to the Planning Commission. Motion by Scott with second by Feldmeier to approve reappointments. Three site plans were presented before the Planning Commission at the June 4, 2018 meeting. Kasten Enterprises LLC presented a plan for a new building, Cloverleaf Car Company presented a plan for camping trailer storage and K & W Equipment presented a plan regarding an addition of liquid fuel tanks for bulk storage and distribution. It was noted that the current ordinance addresses only bulk storage of liquid propane. This does not explicitly permit other fuels. K & W will present at the July meeting. The Planning Commission will need to amend ordinance language to include bulk fuel storage. Kasten and Cloverleaf site plans were approved. Proposed ordinance changes regarding parking, private roads, chickens, and docks were approved and recommended to the Township Board for approval.

**South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority-** There was no report as member Hovenkamp was absent.

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** The Board was presented with two variance requests. Tom and Dawn Stapert of Kimble Lake Dr regarding the number of signs permitted on an easement, which was granted, but different than requested by the application and Kiwi and Company regarding a new sign, which was approved.

**Recreation Plan** The Township's Park and Recreation plan is due to be updated. Two firms were presented for this task. Grants may be available for the township to help with this update. Viridis Design Group was selected for this process. Motion by Ulsh second by Feldmeier to approve Viridis Design Group. Roll call: Feldmeier-yes, Ulsh-yes, Scott-yes

**Members Time** Supervisor Ulsh is working with a committee that includes Village of Vicksburg and Schoolcraft, Schoolcraft Township and City of Portage to discuss trails within these municipalities.

Supervisor Ulsh mentioned that there has been an increase of swans this year at Kimble Lake. A licensed professional would need to remove them.

Meeting adjourned 6:45 pm

Eska Brown, Deputy Clerk  
Township of Schoolcraft

