



Webster Township Farmland & Open Space Preservation Board

Regular Meeting: Monday August 13, 2018

The regular meeting of the Webster Township Farmland & Open Space Preservation Board was called to order by Chairman Tom Bloomer at 6:30 p.m. on August 13, 2018 at the Webster Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road, Dexter, MI 48130.

Members present: Chairman Tom Bloomer, members Jerry Nordblom, Julie Frost, John Westman and consultant Barry Lonik. Also present, Jason Wylie.

Members absent: none

Approve Minutes:

Motion Frost, second Nordblom to approve the open and closed session minutes of the WTFOSPB meeting held on July 9, 2018 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Chairman's Remarks:

Chair Bloomer stated John Kingsley has recommended that Jason Wylie fill the vacancy on the PDR board. The BOT will act on this appointment at their next meeting.

Approve Agenda:

Motion Westman, second Nordblom to approve the August 13, 2018 agenda as amended to move the discussion regarding borrowing from the general fund ahead of the closed session. All ayes, motion carried.

Call to Public:

Jason Wylie stated that he looked forward to serving on the PDR board if appointed by the BOT.

Review Bills:

Motion Frost, second Nordblom to recommend that the Township Board of Trustees approve and pay the July invoices from Treemore Ecology and Land Services, Inc. as presented. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried.

Reports

Township Board

Westman reported on the following BOT actions: At the July 19th regular meeting the board discussed no wake signs for Huntly Cove, an updated procurement policy and a proposed Fire Cost Recovery ordinance. At a special meeting on August 9th the board discussed changes to the zoning ordinance regarding abandoned and junk motor vehicles, approved changes regarding Farm Markets and Farmers Markets, clarified language regarding Seasonal Agri-tourism and adopted changes regarding specific noise violations of the Public Nuisance ordinance.

Consultant:

Lonik reported that the County BOC decided to create special revenue fund of 7.5 million dollars to fund maintenance of county owned preserves and conservation easements. This was half of the initially proposed 15 million dollars. Dexter Township did not approve placing a PDR proposal on the November ballot.

Greenbelt:

No report.

Old Business

Borrowing from the township general fund in order to complete projects was discussed. Motion Nordblom, second Frost to postpone further discussion until the September 10th meeting.

Closed Session:

Motion Frost, second Nordblom to close the open session at 7:55 p.m. and go into closed session in order to discuss confidential applications to the PDR program. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried. Westman did not participate in the closed session due to a conflict of interest. Jason Wylie did not participate in the closed session as his appointment had not yet been confirmed. Following the closed session Chair Bloomer called the open meeting of the

WTFOSPB to order at 8:55 p.m.

New Business:

No motions required

Correspondence:

None received

Call to Public:

None present.

Adjournment:

Motion Nordblom, second Frost to adjourn the meeting. All ayes, motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned by Chair Bloomer at 8:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Westman

Member, WTFOSPB