

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD
TOWN BOARD MEETING
August 8, 2017

Supervisor Chuck Korn called the Town Board Meeting to order on August 8, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Garfield Township Hall, 3848 Veterans Drive, Traverse City, Michigan.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board Members

Present: Denise Schmuckal, Jeane Blood Law, Dan Walters, Lanie McManus, Molly Agostinelli and Chuck Korn

Absent and Excused: Steve Duell

1. Public Comment (6:01)

None

2. Review and Approval of the Agenda - Conflict of Interest (6:01)

Agostinelli moved and Blood Law seconded to approve the agenda as amended.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Blood Law, Schmuckal, McManus, Walters, Korn

Nays: None

3. Consent Calendar (6:02)

a. Minutes

July 25, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes (Recommend Approval)

b. Bills

General Fund	\$ 20,176.77
(Recommend Approval)	

c. Letter from Jim Johnson, County Highway Engineer regarding Site Review of the Intersection of Potter and Garfield Roads (Receive and File)

Schmuckal asked to remove Consent Calendar item a to agenda item #4.

*Blood Law moved to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.
Agostinelli seconded the motion.*

Yeas: *Blood Law, Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Walters, McManus, Korn*
Nays: *None*

4. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar (6:03)

Schmuckal said that she refrained from voting on Agenda item 7a.

Agostinelli moved and Walters seconded to approve the minutes as amended noting that on item 7a, Schmuckal did not vote on the item and her name should be removed.

Yeas: Agostinelli, Walters, Schmuckal, McManus, Blood Law, Korn

Nays: None

5. Correspondence (6:05)

- a. Email from Leone Powell regarding "no Wake Zone"
- b. Email from Sharlene Bogard regarding "no wake zone"
- c. Email from Ken Burritt regarding "no wake zone"
- d. Grand Traverse Conservation District – July 2017 Report

6. Reports**a. Sheriff's Report (6:06)**

Deputy Chris Barsheff reported that Garfield Township had 40% of all complaints in the county. The call number was increased by 141 calls for service from June. The total number of calls for the month of July was 1,689.

b. County Commissioner's Report (6:08)

No report

c. Treasurer's Report (6:08)

No report

d. Clerk's Report (6:08)

McManus said that her report was submitted in writing. She asked if Board members received the MTA magazine and there was a one day MTA meeting in Traverse City in October that board members may be interested in.

e. Supervisor's Report (6:10)

Korn reported that he walked the proposed Boardman Lake Trail with all involved parties and looked at finding a way to move the trail off the lake. The Oleson Foundation owns a piece of commercial property that they are trying to develop and Blair Township may be able to help with water since they have a tower across the street.

7. Unfinished Business

- a. **Consideration of a new lease agreement with the YMCA regarding the Boardman River property (6:14)**

Jay Buckmaster, YMCA Director, said all insurance is up to date and a three year renewal is proposed at this time. He added that he appreciated the partnership with the township and it served the community well. Board members noted that a payment of One dollar should be included on the lease agreement.

Agostinelli moved and Schmuckal seconded to approve the new three year lease agreement between the YMCA and Garfield Township with an amendment showing payment of One Dollar.

*Yeas: Agostinelli, Schmuckal, Walters, McManus, Blood Law, Korn
Nays: None*

- b. Public Hearing – To take public comment to determine if there is a cause for establishing a watercraft control ordinance for the waters of Silver Lake, specifically a no wake zone on Silver Lake and to request that the Department of Natural Resources conduct a public hearing as provided for in Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, Part 801, to inquire into the need for special watercraft controls on Silver Lake (6:19)**

It was noted that the No Wake Zone is for the boat launch area only. Supervisor Korn opened the Public Hearing at 6:20pm.

Doug Brown of Highland Drive said he instigated the no wake zone and gathered a signed petition on the matter. He noted that 35 out of 36 lakefront owners in the area surrounding the boat launch signed the petition and were in favor of establishing a no wake zone near the boat launch.

Paul Starner of Harbor Court is in support of the no wake zone. He cited safety and environmental erosion concerns.

Both gentleman said they would leave the perimeters of the no wake zone to the DNR.

Jim Sanford of Highland Drive is in favor of the no wake zone.

Scott Ivan of Silver Lake Shores Road cautioned that many others on the lake may ask for a no wake zone as well.

Shaun Kehoe, a DNR officer said that concerns expressed were valid. He walked board members through the process to create a no wake zone and said signage was up to the residents or whoever asked for the no wake zone.

Board members asked questions regarding enforcement of the no wake zone.

Barry Andrews of Roman Drive said that the neighborhood would pick up the cost of the buoys marking the no wake zone.

Ian Ferguson, Marine Sheriff Supervisor said that his department would enforce the no wake zone.

Doug Brown said that enforcement may be self-policing.

Supervisor Korn closed the Public Hearing at 7:01pm.

Schmuckal moved to request that staff prepare a resolution in support of a no wake zone near the Silver Lake boat launch. Blood Law seconded the motion.

Yeas: Schmuckal, Blood Law, McManus, Walters, Agostinelli, Korn

Nays: None

8. New Business

None

9. Public Comment: (7:06)

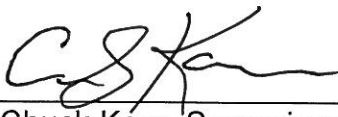
None

10. Other Business (7:06)

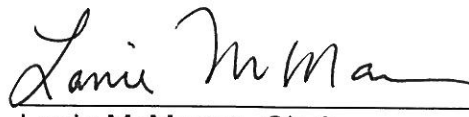
Schmuckal passed out a letter from Craig Elhart to Board members written on her behalf. Supervisor Korn read the letter into the record.

11. Adjournment

Korn adjourned the meeting at 7:08pm.



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