

Minutes of REGULAR MEETING

Held March 12, 2013

7:00 PM

TOWNSHIP OF MARATHON

Dawn Johnson, Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Supervisor Moorhouse led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Fred Moorhouse
Sandi Glesenkamp
Dawn Johnson
Karen Webber
Jim Chaffer-absent

Others in attendance, see attached sign in sheet.

AGENDA Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Webber to approve the agenda with the addition of date for public hearing for budget under new business. All AYES. Motion carried.

MINUTES Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Webber to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held February 12, 2013. All AYES. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT accepted into record

PUBLIC COMMENT

Cheryl Clark, District 1 County Commissioner was present to give the Board an update of what is happening at the County level. Johnson updated Commissioner Clark on the land acquisition grant for which the Township is applying and asked if she would be willing to write a letter of support. She was very willing to offer her support in anyway possible and wished us well in our endeavor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dangerous building issue- Ross property Don has not been in to purchase the permits to begin repairs on the code violations on his home. The township has spent seven months trying to work with the Ross' to bring the property into compliance. It was the consensus of the Board to forward this case to Attorney Gildner to proceed with legal action.

Zoning violations- Hurley & Montney The Township has had long- standing issues with zoning violations with both the Hurleys and the Montneys. It was the consensus of the Board to forward both cases to Attorney Gildner to proceed with legal action.

Resolution for MDNR grant application Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Webber to adopt the resolution to apply for a grant through the MDNR Trust Fund and to offer a 25 % local match. Roll call vote was taken. YEA Glesenkamp, Johnson, Webber, Moorhouse. NAY None. Motion carried.

2013 Hardship Exemption Webber made a motion, supported by Glesenkamp to adopt the resolution for the 2013 property hardship exemptions and the 2013 poverty guidelines. Roll call vote was taken. YEA Webber, Moorhouse, Glesenkamp, Johnson. NAY None. Motion carried

Salary Compensation Commission determination Moorhouse made a motion supported by Webber to not accept the \$1500.00 raise to the Supervisor position recommended by the Salary Commission. He felt that since tax revenues are down, it is not a good time to be approving raises. All YEAS. Motion carried

Road brining and roadside mowing for FY 2013-14 Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Johnson to approve the road brining contract with Wilkinson for three applications at a cost of \$33,396.00 and a contract with Jostock Trucking for a double pass roadside mowing at a cost of \$3900.00. All YEAS. Motion carried

Sale of township properties Webber made a motion, supported by Glesenkamp to publish the two township- owned properties for sale in the newspaper and solicit bids on them. It was decided it should be noted that the Norway Lake Road property has legal issues surrounding the easement on the property. All YEAS. Motion carried

ZBA, Planning commission and Parks & Recreation Board appointments

ZBA Terms for Gary Webber and Mary Hart expire April 1st. Johnson made a motion, supported by Glesenkamp to appoint both for another term. All YEAS. Motion carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD Debby Valentine resigned from the Parks and Recreation Board. Glesenkamp made a motion supported by Webber to accept the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Board to appoint Cathy Phanuef to fill the vacancy. All YEAS. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION Terms for Duane Oliver and Dennis Hogan expire April 1st. Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Webber to reappoint both to another term. All YEAS. Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS

Bids for cleaning township hall Six sealed bids were received and opened at the meeting. It was decided that Glesenkamp and Johnson will look over the bids and bring a recommendation back to the full Board.

Date for public hearing for budget March 25th at 7:00 pm was set for the public hearing for the budget. Johnson will get it published in the paper.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS Glesenkamp made a motion, supported by Moorhouse to approve warrants 8337-8379 in the amount of \$36,551.75 from general fund and warrants 5651-5652, 5654-5657 from building department fund. Roll call vote was taken. All AYES motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM

Submitted by _____
Dawn D Johnson, Clerk

Approved by _____ date _____
Fred Moorhouse, Supervisor