Millington Township Regular Board Meeting October 21, 2024

Regular meeting called to order at 6:00pm at the Millington Township Hall by Supervisor R. Loomis. Also, present S. Keinath, A. Green, L. Jaruzel and J. Sabgash

There were 13 quests in the audience.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Loomis, support by Green to approve the agenda with changes, move Sherry Morris to spot 5 and move Mark Morris to spot 6.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

Motion by Keinath, support by Green to accept the regular meeting minutes from September 16, 2024, but add the following to the Zoning Administrators Duties and Responsibilities. The Township Treasurer pointed out per our ordinance section 16.02 and 20.01 it states that the Plannings Commissions job is to receive and approve amendments, but they are not the only people who can draft ordinances and amendments.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 1 Motion carried

Motion by Jaruzel, support by Keinath to accept the special meeting minutes from September 23, 2024.

Ayes: All Nays: None Motion carried

Treasurer's report was presented. Thank you

Motion by Loomis, support by Jaruzel that bills be paid as presented:

Total	\$ 69.596.15	
Refuse-	\$ 26,692.95	
Police-	\$ 18,308.63	
Fire-	\$ 4,981.58	
General-	\$ 19,612.99	

Ayes: Keinath, Sabgash, Green, Jaruzel and Loomis Nays: none Motion carried.

Millington Township Fund Balances ending September 30, 2024

FUND	MIF SWEEP MONEY	MARKET SAVINGS
General	\$ 437,964.08	
Cemetery Trust Fund	2,101.97	
Fire	145,614.58	\$39,108.97
Police	265,985.86	
Refuse	(11,197.09)	
Murphy Lake Weed Control	13,233.87	
Capital Projects – Buildings	34,855.46	
Capital Projects - Machine & Equipment	13,478.52	
Trust & Agency	7,138.53	
Fire Damage Escrow Fund	12,575.00	
Tax Collection Fund	19,743.57	
IFT Tax Collection Fund	2,657.08	
IFT Tax Collection Fund	(19,738.13)	

\$ 924,413.30

Public Comment: None

New Business:

Discussion on people interested in being on the Planning Commission, Roger Bearss, Bruce Hemingway, Emory Close, Mike Scarborough, Alvin Zavitz, Ed Maschke, and Robert Benard. Supervisor needs more time to make a decision on the appointment.

\$39,108.97

Discussion on the City, Village and Township Revenue Sharing, the Township isn't required to submit any documents to receive the revenue sharing. The Department of Treasury will issue revenue sharing as long as the Township meets their requirements.

Discussed a possible noise ordinance for the Township, research the cost of a decibel meter, review other Townships noise ordinances and have the Planning Commission look into a possible noise ordinance and give their feedback.

Reviewed a quote from Symplified IT for a camera for the conference room, quote was \$2,097.00. It was suggested to get a microphone if possible. J. Sabgash will contact Symplified IT to see how much more that would cost.

Sherry Morris – Read a letter (see attached) which explains what they have gone through during the special land use permit process, they noticed things were added to their special land use permit after it was approved by the Planning Commission, questioned how the Zoning Administrators pay works when handling violations. The Township Board clarified the question about the \$100 stipend for the Zoning Administrator, the stipend is only paid out when the ZA pursues a violation, not per complaint or warning notice sent.

Mark Morris – Questions how things got added to their approved special land use permit such as the inspections by the Supervisor twice a year, reviewing the special land use permit annually, and proof of liability insurance annually. He stated that this was not discussed at the Planning Commission meeting when they reviewed the final draft of their approved special land use permit. The Township Board will need some time to look into why these additions were included in the Morris' special land use permit.

Zoning Administrators Report - Thank you

Old Business:

Robert Benard ZBA updates – Letter submitted by the public, deadline for residents to turn in letters would be 4pm the day of the meeting and the length of time to read said letter should be the same as if the resident was speaking at the meeting which is 3 minutes. Loomis will contact the Township Attorney to see if a time limit can be put on letters submitted by the public. R. Benard did make a recommendation to change the wording in our policy for public comments at meetings read "may be limited to 3 minutes" instead of "shall be limited to 3 minutes".

Solar Ordinance - Trustee Jaruzel and Zoning Administrator Daenzer had a conference call with Adam Young from Wade Trim and attended a Zoom meeting through Michigan Township Association regarding our Solar Ordinance. It was stated that we should stick with what we currently have as that is considered a workable ordinance, and the developer would be more likely to work with us than going through the State. We may want to consider a battery storage ordinance. Michigan Township Association is coming out with Solar Ordinance Templets, which the Township should have in a couple of weeks. We will work with Adam Young and revise the templet to best fit Millington Township. The deadline for an amendment to our Solar Ordinance is November 29, 2024.

Review Gravel Pit Documentation - The Planning Commission has some overall concerns regarding the documentation regarding the gravel pit, particularly the documents of inspection. The special land use permit states that the Supervisor is to do inspections twice a year (condition G in the special land use permit). The Supervisor states when he goes out for the inspection R. Gillig takes him around in the truck, shows him the equipment, checks for any new equipment and clarifies he is following all the procedures. If there are any complaints R. Loomis follows up with all the complaints. Possibly create a form for the Supervisor to use for his inspection report out. The Clerk will work on a draft inspection form. Jaruzel reported that she witnessed 36 trucks (in two days) heading into the gravel pits covered (presumably full) and then leave uncovered (presumably empty) on the days she happened to be home. The Supervisor will look into this complaint.

Public Comment:

Paul Dudley: The special land use approved permit for short-term rentals should stand alone and not be the same as other special land use permits.

Cody Clark: Back in September received an email from the Zoning Administrator to help him prepare for his public hearing for his special use permit for short-term rental. The documents reflect section A through D in the approved special land use permit but E through K are not listed in the short-term rental ordinance amendments.

Mark Morris: Asked who gets the \$100 for violations? The board responded the Township will receive the \$100, if someone gets a violation, pays the violation fee and corrects the violation the Zoning Administrator will not get the \$100 stipend. If the Zoning Administrator has to pursues the violation further, then she will get the \$100 stipend for enforcement action

Action	

Jackie Sabgash, Township Clerk

Action Items:				
Motion by Keinath, sup meetings of all the Tow		cate up to \$2500.00 fo	or the purchase and insta	allation of video equipment for the purpose of broadcasting and archiving public
Ayes: Green, Sabgash, Keinath, Jaruzel and Loomis		Loomis	Nays: none	Motion carried
, , ,	port by Keinath to allow Nays: none	w the Lions Club to use Motion carried	the fire hall or township	parking lot to pass out cider and donuts on October 31st Halloween,
Supervisors Report: Th	hank you			
Motion by Loomis, sup	port by Sabgash to adj	journ.		
Meeting adjourned at 7	7:51PM.			

UNAPPROVED XXXX

Approved