

There was a regular meeting of the Marquette Township Board Monday, December 10, 1979 at 7:30 p.m., in the Marquette Township Hall.

- Present: Wayne A. Johnson, Supervisor
- Richard D. Colvin, Clerk
- Robert Atkins, Treasurer
- Harold Peterson, Trustee
- Absent: Carol Huempfer, Trustee

The agenda was amended to table the engineer's report on Vandeenboom Street and to advance the P.U.D. to the next item.

The Planned Unit Development, Forestville Woods Industrial Park, was discussed. Max Schmiede, Gordie Fraser and Assoc., reported that he had been meeting with Dave Timmons and John Erickson on the requirements for the P.U.D. He also questioned the point at which the application stood in relation to the ordinance procedure. Rick Colvin reported that only the concept had been approved at this point. Mr. Schmiede was under the impression that the Planning Commission had approved the preliminary plan. Mr. Schmiede was reminded that, at the November 29, 1979 joint meeting, Mr. Kaipale reported that the intent of the Planning Commission was to only approve the concept.

Robert Atkins moved, Harold Peterson seconded, to approve the minutes of the November 29th meeting. Carried four ayes.

Louis Beaudin, Marquette Township Lions President, requested that the Lions Club be allowed to put an ice rink in at Lions Field. The Lions Club would supply the man power, equipment, and maintenance if the township would authorize use of the Lions Field for this purpose and donate the water. Harold Peterson moved, Rick Colvin seconded, to approve the use of the Ball Field area of Lions Field for an ice rink provided that Fire Dept. or Water Dept. personnel supervise the hydrant maintenance after each flooding and that the Lions Club accept any responsibility for damage to the fire hydrant for misuse or improper maintenance. The Water Dept. will donate the water. Carried four ayes.

Correspondence was received from residents on the end of Fair Ave. requesting a dead end sign. In conjunction, Wayne Johnson presented a request from Don Britton for a truck crossing sign for the highway. Rick Colvin moved, Robert Atkins seconded, that a letter requesting these signs be drafted and sent to Bob Menard of the County Road Commission. Carried Four ayes.

Correspondence from the City of Marquette, and answering correspondence was read concerning water service to Oak Hills Estates. Specific information on the agreement cited authorizing the extension and defining the area which could be serviced without causing extensive up-grading of the City system.

Correspondence was received concerning the adoption of the BOCA mechanical code into our Building Inspection requirements. This was tabled for further study.

Correspondence was received from the County Clerk in regards to the election of Township Constables. The following resolution was offered by Robert Atkins and supported by Harold Peterson:

WHEREAS, Marquette Township's Law Enforcement is being maintained by the County Sherriff's Department, and  
 WHEREAS, collection of liquor control monies would aid in offsetting the cost of law enforcement in Marquette Township incurred by the County,  
 NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED that Marquette Township elects not to have any Township Constables at this time, the 1980 election.

Yeas: 4  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 1

Correspondence was read from the Marquette County Road Commission on the problems caused by indiscriminate lot splitting. It was suggested that the Building Inspectors be required to see a driveway permit prior to issuing a building permit.

206

Correspondence was read from Manulife, requesting proxy vote authorization. Robert Atkins Moved, Rick Colvin seconded, to authorise the proxy. Carried four ayes.

The Treasurer's report was read and found to agree with the bank statements and the Clerks records.

The Fire Chiefs report was read. A request for disposition of CB radio units was reviewed. A proposal will be reviewed after an appraisal of the units value is obtained by the Fire Chief. A proposed amendment concerning the Fire Chief was discussed. The problem, as presented, is that the election process at present results in a popularity contest and the term of office is short. Dissension came over the request to have a Board appointed chief. The Board recognised a potential for dissatisfaction within the department if a Board appointed chief did not have the backing of department members. Discussion centered around having a department nominating board to nominate the candidates for chief having certain minimum requirements and a vote by the members of the fire department. The Township Board would then have the duty to affirm the appointment. Dave Timmons will pursue this by-law change.

Robert Atkins moved, Harold Peterson seconded, to present the Proposed Assessment and waterline agreement to Vandeenboom School as presented by the Clerk. Carried four ayes.

There was discussion of the recent sewer bill received from the City. Mr. Timmons will get together with the City for more background on the new billing. Wayne Johnson will try to arrange a joint meeting between the City and the Township on this issue.

Mr. Timmons reported that the Township Hall has been without running water due to the well drying up and pump failure. A new pump was purchased and 20 feet added to the well depth.

Mr. Timmons reported on the status of the warrant concerning the Oak Hills development.

A tentative settlement agreement is pending on the Whetstone water line for \$35,500.00. As soon as Mr. Savu receives confirmation on this settlement, it will formally be submitted to the Board.

Mr. Timmons reported that he is working in conjunction with the County on a H.U.D. Block Grant Housing Rehabilitation Project.

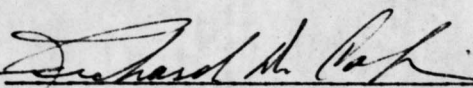
Robert Atkins is to contact Mr. Savu requesting written confirmation for the treasurer to change personal property tagged for sale.

Discussion followed on disposition of Police equipment. Chocoy Township is interested in both vehicles and perhaps other equipment. We could use the proceeds to obtain an economy car for the manager. The present car only gets 11 miles to the gallon. Harold Peterson moved to sell the cars, with vehicle equipment, at a price to be determined later. Seconded by Robert Atkins. Carried four ayes. Harold Peterson moved, Rick Colvin seconded, that the manager set specifications and solicit bids for a replacement vehicle. Carried four ayes.

Robert Croschere reported on the need to set uniform addresses rather than Rural Routes. He has been working on this project. This is to be referred to the Planning Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Wayne A. Johnson, Supervisor

  
Richard D. Colvin, Clerk

Date Published