

**WEST TRAVERSE TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 10, 2017**

Supervisor Sandford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Baker, Lauer, Hollingsworth, Sandford, Baiardi.

Visitors: Neil Ahrens, Scott Cavell, Susan Cavell, Kevin Hollingsworth, Kathy Erber, Steven Erber, Sue Matsko.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Approve Agenda & Additional Items: The agenda was approved by consensus with two additions: Approve Board of Review training, Little Traverse Conservancy property in the township.

Public Comments: Kathy Erber stated that she is attending the meeting as a representative of HARBOR, INC.

Approve Minutes: **Baiardi made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 13, 2016 as presented with one correction: Page 4, 3<sup>rd</sup> line, add the word “gotten” after “Treasurer or Clerk”. Hollingsworth seconded the motion.**

**Vote: All yes.**

Correspondence: Correspondence was reviewed.

Appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals: **Hollingsworth made a motion to appoint Pete Wallin to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3 year term expiring 12-31-19. Lauer seconded the motion.**

**Vote: 4 – yes. 1 – no.**

Baiardi stated that the State statute says that only one person from the Planning Commission should be on the ZBA. Putting Wallin on the ZBA makes it two people from the Planning Commission even though one is an alternate.

Resolution Regarding Board of Review July and December Meeting Dates: **Baiardi made a motion to approve the Resolution regarding Board of Review July and December meeting dates which would allow the BOR to meet any day of the week during the prescribed weeks. Baker seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call: Lauer – yes, Hollingsworth – yes, Baiardi – yes, Baker – yes, Sandford – yes.**

Potential Road Projects for 2017: The road projects for 2017 were discussed. Scott and Susan Cavell were in attendance on behalf of the property owners on Amy’s Way. The Board discussed the possibility of paving Amy’s Way in 2017. All property owners were in favor of paving the road.

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Billing for Collection of Summer Taxes: There was discussion as to how the number of parcels to be billed to the school for the collection of summer taxes is arrived at. Sandford and Hollingsworth had a difference of opinion on the numbers. Sandford stated that he thinks it is totally asinine and ridiculous the way that Hollingsworth does the calculations. It was agreed that the Treasurer would continue doing the calculations the same way that she has been since this was the way the County and BSA had told her to do it.

Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018: The proposed 2017-2018 budget was reviewed.

Compensation for Fiscal Year 2017-2018: There was discussion as to what compensation would be appropriate for several people for 2017-2018. It was agreed that more information would be obtained regarding the Treasurer and Clerk's duties and compensation will be suggested at the next meeting.

Board of Review Training: **Baker made a motion to authorize up to \$200 for Board of Review member's expenses related to Board of Review training by the County at the Fairgrounds. Lauer seconded the motion.**

**Vote: All yes.**

Little Traverse Conservancy: Baker presented information regarding property located within WTT that Little Traverse Conservancy is interested in acquiring. The Conservancy is asking the West Traverse Township Board to endorse the purchase of the Wingforth, Inc. property, as shown on the attached map, which is to be placed in the LTC Working Forest Reserve Program once acquired. This endorsement by the West Traverse Township Board does not involve any financial obligation on the part of the Township.

**Baker made a motion that as long as the endorsement form is agreeable to the Clerk and Supervisor, that it will be signed. Baiardi seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call: Baker – yes, Lauer – yes, Baiardi – yes, Hollingsworth – yes, Sandford – yes.**

Clerk's Report: Baiardi presented her report.

Treasurer's Report: Hollingsworth presented her report.

Planning Commission: The Planning Commission is reviewing the Zoning Ordinance.

Zoning Administrator's Report: Frykberg had presented his report.

Recreation/Thorne Swift: No report.

LTBBOI: No report.

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Supervisor's Report: No report.

Payables and Payroll: **Hollingsworth made a motion to approve the payables and payroll as presented. Baker seconded the motion.**

**Vote: All yes.**

Public Comments: Neil Ahrens gave information regarding the County Commissioners.

Board Comments: None.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be February 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cindy Baiardi, Clerk

Transcribed by:  
Susan Matsko  
Township Secretary

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