

**Peninsula Town Board Meeting
March 13, 2018, 7:00 pm
Township Hall
13235 Center Road, Traverse City, MI 49686
Minutes**

1. **Call to Order** by Manigold at 7:00pm
2. **Pledge**
3. **Roll Call**
 - Present: Achorn, Wunsch, Wahl, Saunders, Bickle, Manigold
 - Absent: Westphal (excused)
 - Also present: Hayward (Township Planner); Hodges (Township Engineer)
4. **Brief Citizen Comments (for items not on the agenda)** None
5. **Approve Agenda**

Manigold asked to amend the agenda by adding ~~two resolutions to the Business part of the agenda that relate to grant funding for the parks.~~ a discussion item to the Business part of the agenda that relates to the 81 project. The 81 group was asked by our attorney to provide recommendations on professionals who would be carrying out the ASTI (environmental assessment) on the 81 site. Greg Miehn, our attorney would like to discuss the recommendations from the 81 group to see if there is Town Board support for the professionals who were suggested.

~~Motion to amend the agenda to include the two resolutions for grant funding of the parks was made by Sanders and seconded by Bickle~~

Bickle: is this a new item under Business?

Manigold: Yes, Item C. I ask the Board to approve the amended agenda involving the addition of Item C.

Sanders: So moved; Bickle seconded. Roll call.

Passed unam

6. **Conflict of Interest:** None
7. **Consent Agenda:**

Any member of the Board, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the Consent Agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion.

 - A. **Meeting Minutes Approval—Town Board Study Session Meeting of January 18, 2018; Town Board Study Session Meeting of January 24, 2018; Town Board Regular Meeting February 27, 2018**
 - B. **Reports and announcements (as provided in packet)**
 1. **Officers**
 2. **Staff**
 3. **Library**
 - C. **Correspondence**
 - D. **Edit list of Invoices (recommend approval)**
 - E. **Approve declaring Decommissioned Fire Hose as surplus**

Bickle requested that a conditional approval of the invoices be given in order to have the opportunity to more closely examine two invoices that came in late. No other changes to the

consent agenda were made. A motion to approve the consent agenda as amended by **Bickle** was made by **Wunsch** and seconded by **Saunders**.

Passed unam

8. Business

A. Review Condo Documents for Vineyard Ridge.

A motion was made by **Sanders** and seconded by **Wunsch** to approve the Vineyard Ridge Condominium Association Documents as presented in the packet.

Passed unam

B. Trust Fund Grant Application.

Manigold reported that two resolutions were under consideration by the Town Board for park improvements. The first resolution involves the request for grant money that would be used to implement a walking trail in the Bowers Harbor Park Expansion area. The requested amount is \$300,000 of which the Township would be obligated to match at a minimum of 25% of the requested amount (\$50,000). The Bayshore Marathon has been approached for paying half of the Township's obligation or \$25,000.

The second resolution requests another \$300,000 for improvements to replace the play structures in the Bowers Harbor Park (old section). Again, the Township would be obligated to match that amount at a minimum of 25% (\$50,000).

The Michigan Trust Fund derives its revenues from oil and gas extraction on state land. The grant review process involves a point system. Hodges commented that the Township could improve its position in getting grant monies if it was willing to match at a slightly higher level of 32%. **Manigold** noted that the monies for the match would not come from tax coffers but rather from the Township's Enterprise fund.

Wahl asked for a clarification on the number of years that the grant would cover if received. Hayward and Hodges said that the application for the grant proposal was due on April 1, 2018; the Township can refine either proposal until October 1, 2018. The final announcements will be made in December 2018. Actual construction would occur over the next two fiscal years.

Wahl then recommended that the resolutions be amended to read "during the timeframe from 2018-2020". **Sanders** recommended that the Township match should be 32% for both resolutions.

Wunsch moved to incorporate both amendments into the resolutions and **Wahl** seconded it.

Passed unam

Sanders moved to pass the amended resolutions for Trust Fund Grant submittals; seconded by Wunsch.

Passed unam

C. Consideration of professionals identified by the 81 development group for carrying out the condition of monitoring the environmental assessment as outline by the ASTI group.

Manigold discussed the status of the permitting process on the "81". The review outlined the context of this item that was recommended by the Township's attorney, Greg Miehn, who was to attend tonight's meeting.

(Because Miehn had not yet arrived, **Manigold** presented the recommendation provided by the developer.) **Manigold** began by briefly discussing the status of the permitting process on the "81". The developer offered Roger Mawby of Otwell-Mawby as the consultant who would carry out the ASTI monitoring requirements on the site during development. **Manigold** sought the consent of the Town Board to agree to the developer's recommendation of Otwell-Mawby as the in-field

consultant. The Board gave general oral approval to support the developer's recommendation.

Manigold also noted that an arborist was needed to provide oversight on the vegetation removal. **Hayward** suggested an individual by the last name of Vilein, from Harbor Springs, as being the most qualified; **Wahl** recommended Jeffrey Patterson as another good arborist. No action was taken since Miehn was not present to expand on the details.

9. Citizen Comments None.

10. Board Comments

Manigold discussed progress of the FY2018-19 budget. He noted that the Fire Department is likely to ask for a millage increase to cover expenses related the addition of ALS qualified Fire Department personnel. Last year the Fire Department had a 1.4 mil increase; this fiscal year, the Town Board will be looking at a slight increase to 1.8-2.0 from the 1.4 mil. As soon as the budget is ready, it will be posted.

Manigold also noted that the Board of Review turnout was light and is complete for this year. He also commented that the DNR will be dredging out the boat launches this year.

Wunsch alerted the Board that enrollment for the Old Mission Elementary School is open presently and will continue for one more week. It is important for any families with kids to get them enrolled this week.

Achorn noted that the bond for Pelizarrri Park will be retired this year. **Bickle** added that this will release approximately \$400,000 in the budget that could be used on other needs like the Fire Department expansion to ALS services.

11. Adjournment took place at 7:25 pm.