

## 2018 Norwich Township Minutes Summary

1/10/18

- Fritz Pins, Newaygo County Building Inspector, stated department's main goal is to provide safety for the residents of Newaygo County. Township's approval is needed in many instances before County will issue a permit
- Township website: updated ordinance is online
- Annual newsletter is nearing completion
- Salary comparisons: Township's compensation compares to other townships of a similar size
- Board of Review members to attend MTA class in February
- Funds transferred from general fund to fire fund to cover additional expenses

2/14/18

- Annual newsletter discussed; plan to prepare for mailing at March meeting
- Medical Marijuana Facilities Resolution to "opt out" will be sent to the State
- Discussed sending letters to property owners who have property zoned commercial to determine if they are interested in keeping it that way
- Discussed draft of expenditures and budget recommendations which will be finalized at Budget Hearing on March 14th

3/14/18

- Township website update--6905 hits last year, including many from overseas
- Newsletter/2017 Year in Review--prepared for mailing
- Medical Marijuana Facilities Resolution to "opt out" --prepared for mailing to the State
- Reviewed letter from DEQ regarding Mohnke campground
- 2017 budget--several line items were amended
- 2018 budget hearing -- after much discussion, 2018 budget approved

4/11/18

- Insurance Company suggestions were reviewed
- Holly Hughes discussed her qualifications for Senate seat
- FOIA request presented and discussed
- Road bids-Supervisor presented bids from the County Road Commission on the 5 roads most in need of repair as suggested by the Road Commission. After much discussion, plans are to wedge and overlay both Nine Mile (west of Cypress) and Dogwood.

5/9/18

- Township website update - County Clean-Up Day information added to general information tab
- Insurance Company recommendations completed include: new fire extinguisher, motion detectors over doors and reflective tape on inside steps. City of Big Rapids will provide maintenance/flushing of fire well and keep records. Other items pending.
- Mohnke campground bathhouse not completed by May 1; Board voted to extend requirement to June 1
- Township Clean-Up for residents scheduled for June 9th from 8 a.m. to noon
- Chuck Bonning will be in charge of raising and lowering the flag as needed
- Flags for Veterans' graves are purchased by Clerk and placed during Memorial Day

6/13/18

- Insurance Company suggestions: Clerk presented contract with hold harmless clause for lawn care at Cemetery and Hall
- Approved bid to seal coat and strip Hall parking lot
- Township clean-up used 4 1/2 dumpsters
- Road brining approved
- Hungerford Lake Road - two roads parallel to each other have same name; Road Commission and Equalization are working on this issue
- Zoning Administrator presented report and discussed lack of progress on bathhouse at Mohnke's campground

7/11/18

- Lawn Service and Hold Harmless contract signed
- Kip's Excavating and Asphalt has completed the work at the Hall
- Township Clean Up Day - 45 loads from 29 residents
- E. Hungerford Lake Road - still pending - two parallel roads have same name

8/8/18

- Draft for snow removal/hold harmless approved
- Discussed brining of township roads

- Extension of METRO act permit through 12/31/23 signed
- Zoning Administrator presented report on status of permits and lack of progress on bathhouse at Mohnke's campground
- Clerk will research companies for cost comparison of insurance charges

9/12/18

- Mohnke Campground-Since progress is being made on the bath house, Board will not act on this noncompliance issue
- Road repairs have been completed
- Insurance line items will be tabled until next year
- Per recommendation of Planning Commission, Board approved a parcel to be rezoned from commercial to agriculture

10/10/18

- Township website averaging 650 hits per month
- Mohnke Campground issues pending
- Old well house removed
- Land owner questioned the status of the old Johnson Road; referred to Road Commission

11/14/18

- Road Commission has been advised and addressed cracking of new surface on Pierce Road
- Update on Mohnke Campground bath house has not been received by Township Board; Board will review Zoning Ordinance 16.06 prior to next meeting
- Meetings required for Planning Board is four per year; ZBA is twice per year. 2019 schedule will reflect changes. Any additional Planning Board meetings will be advertised in Pioneer
- No interest shown in sale of old 2 inch well pump
- Discussed next Township newsletter which will be posted on web page and mailed only upon request

12/12/18

- Year in Review newsletter to be added to webpage
- Board reviewed ZO 16.06; Special Use permit allowed to stand; update needed regarding progress of bathhouse at Mohnke Campground
- Zoning Administrator's contract renewed for one year
- Hold Harmless Contracts to be prepared for snowplowing, snow shoveling and repairs made at hall
- Newaygo County Deputy Israel spoke about the drug problem in Newaygo County
- New Recreational Marihuana Law-Board discussed waiting to act on this until State has had time to sort out the regulation
- 2019 meeting dates presented; will be published in the Pioneer and put on webpage
- Discussed joint meeting for Planning and Township Boards to be held March 6
- Copy of latest amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to be distributed to Board members