



WEESAW TOWNSHIP
New Troy, MI 49119



Special Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 7, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: The Special Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Sommers at 10:00 a.m.

Board Members Present: Wanda Green, Art King, Gary Sommers, Robert Warmbein
Members Absent: Michelle Tackitt

Robert Kaufman Resignation as B/Z Administrator: The meeting was called in that due to the resignation of Robert Kaufman as Building/Zoning Administrator, he has agreed to remain for a period, and he would be willing to share the job description/duties with candidates and also to evaluate the candidates and report back to the Board of his determination of the candidates potential proficiency to perform the position on an ongoing basis. There are presently 2 candidates – one of which is Green’s son, the other is Ken Hallen who would do it as a temporary basis. Another person provided a resume; however, it arrived after the deadline. Motion by King, supported by Warmbein, to approve Kaufman’s sharing of the B/Z Administrator’s job description, to evaluate the candidates and report back to the board of his evaluation as to their potential to perform the responsibilities. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. Hiring would be at the discretion of the board.

Mike Metz and Robert Warmbein spoke in favor of Safebuilt taking over these responsibilities.

Acceptance of Late Candidates for BZA: Motion by Warmbein, supported by Sommers, to extend the deadline for accepting applications for the BZA and advertise in the Berrien County Record and the Harbor Country News with an extension date of no later than Monday, 7/26/21, 10:00 a.m. Green was not in favor, as the board had not verified with Kaufman that he would be willing to stay on until this additional process was accomplished. Roll call vote, 3 ayes (Sommers, Warmbein, King), 1 nay (Green), motion carried.

Lawnmowing: Comments about lawnmowing issue: Due to the cost of the lawnmowing being considerably higher than last year, and the fact that the previous lawnmowing company not making us aware of their inability to perform this job for this season, we did not allocate enough funding in the budget to cover the mowing, thus we have to attempt to take measures to lower the 2021 mowing amount, such as looking at other possible companies, mowing only as needed, and such.

Cemetery Trees – Yellowing: Two white oaks in the cemetery are yellowing. Per King, the disease is called White Oak Wilt. Bugs are coming into where limbs have come down due to storms, etc., which cause this problem. It will take about 5 years for these trees to decline.

Public Comments: Comments throughout the meeting.

Adjourn: Motion by Warmbein, supported by King, to adjourn the meeting at 11:11 a.m. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Wanda Green, Clerk