

APPROVED

**CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 12, 2021**

The August 12, 2021, meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 6:30 PM by Supervisor Bunte, Dudiak, Rettig, Marske present, at Chikaming Township Center, Sullivan absent. Also, present Attorney Hilmer, John Gooch and Francesca Sagala and several members of the community.

Supervisor Bunte led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Consent Agenda was given to the board, Marske moved, Rettig supported to approve the Consent Agenda.

All ayes, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letters and email were presented to the board for review and put on file.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Concerns were voiced regarding the construction of Union Green in Union Pier along with answers not being clear or answered during the Public Hearing.

Another area resident thanked the Planning Commission for a job well done on the Public Hearing and meeting regarding the Union Green proposed construction project. All concerns will be addressed properly.

OLD BUSINESS:

7322 Harbert Dangerous Building follow up:

A motion was made by Rettig, supported by Marske to require the property owner to cap the well and septic and complete the required inspection, and also remove the debris that has been dumped over the property line and into the railroad/utility right of way within 30 days.

The board will allow the owner to keep two of the structures for storage.

All ayes, motion carried.

7312 Harbert Dangerous Building follow up:

A motion was made by Dudiak, supported by Bunte to take the next step to implement the repair or demolition with the assistance of our attorney to comply with the Township Ordinance.

All ayes, motion carried.

Proposal for AV changes to Meeting Room:

A motion was made by Marske, supported by Bunte to accept the first proposal at a cost of \$8,029.00 from Techxperience LLC.

All ayes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A recommendation was made from the Park Board to appoint Jill Underhill to fill the vacancy on the board. Motion was made by Dudiak, supported by Marske to approve the appointment.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Marske, supported by Rettig to move forward and take action on a Dangerous building at 5084 Browntown Road and consult with our attorney. The owner was given ninety days to repair all structures on the property to a condition that is considered safe.

At this time no permits have been pulled and only minor repairs have been made. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Bunte, supported by Marske to reappoint Rich Sullivan as representative to the Local Revenue Board for Chikaming Township.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Rettig to accept the buy back of plot LSE-1-45-5 at Lakeside Cemetery and issue a check in the amount of \$112.50 to Michael Bager of 6865 N. 400 W., Michigan City, IN 46360, supported by Marske.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Bunte, supported by Rettig to approve the Special Land Use for Parcel 11-07-0002-0007-12-0 – Biggby Coffee with conditions from the Planning Commission.

Ayes Bunte, Dudiak, Rettig,
Abstained Marske.

Upon recommendation from our Zoning Administrator a Lot Division for Parcel 11-07-5950-0013-02-0 making two conforming lots was presented to the board. A motion by Dudiak, supported by Rettig was made to approve the split.

Ayes Rettig, Bunte, Dudiak
Abstained Marske

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The closing for the Cherry Beach Property is scheduled for August 18, 2021 at 11:00 AM. A celebration for this event is tentatively scheduled for September 17, 2021.

August 19, 2021 the Berrien County Commissioners will be at Chikaming Township at 6:00 PM to discuss and view the updates in Chikaming Township.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Rettig, supported by Marske to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM. All ayes, Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

**Paula Dudiak
Chikaming Township Clerk**