

APPROVED

**CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
May 9, 2019**

The May 9, 2019 meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 6:30 PM by Supervisor Bunte with Dudiak, Rettig, Marske and Sullivan present. Also present Attorney Charles Hilmer, John Gooch, of the Harbor Country News, Francesca Sagala, of the New Buffalo Times, along with several members of the community.

Supervisor Bunte led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

All ayes, motion carried

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

All correspondence was given to the board and placed on file as read.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Zoning Ordinance committee update was given by Trustee Sullivan. He reported completion is approximately 7 weeks away from being brought to the board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Pier Street beach access will be closed indefinitely due to the rising lake waters and erosion. It is a danger for our residents. Chikaming Township Park Board will be posting signs very soon.

A motion was made by Sullivan, supported by Marske to accept a bid from Pontem software for CM Data Manager with Integrated Imaging software in the amount of \$2,625.00 for our cemeteries along with future updates and annual maintenance fee of \$420.00.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to have TDK mow and trim both cemeteries on an as needed basis was made by Dudiak, supported by Marske. The township will continue to follow-up and advise the board.

All ayes, motion carried.

The Township received a fireworks application and permit from Ace Pryo, LLC requesting

approval for a firework display at Chikaming Country Club in Lakeside on July 5, 2019.

A motion was made by Rettig, supported by Marske to approve the fireworks.

All aye, motion carried.

A resolution endorsing the Berrien County Non-Motorized Vision was presented to the board and adopted.

By Roll call vote:

Bunte

Dudiak

Marske

Sullivan

Rettig

All ayes, resolution adopted

A motion was made by Rettig, supported by Marske to approve a recommendation by Zoning Administrator for a set fee of \$200.00 for all divisions, combinations, and boundary line adjustments.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made to approve a fee of \$350.00 for a re-notice if a meeting for ZBA or PC is rescheduled due to an applicant request and \$1.00 per copy if applicants do not provide copies as required in Variance and SLU applications. Motion made by Marske, supported by Rettig.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Dudiak, supported by Marske to allow Supervisor Bunte to advise the County Treasurer that from the foreclosed list sent to Chikaming Township there are no properties we feel need to be demolished.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Marske, supported by Sullivan to add a discussion topic to the Township Boards agenda starting at our June 2019 meeting.

All ayes, motion carried.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

John Krsul, employed by Pokagon Fund advised that if we were not aware, Janet Cocciarelli, resigned as Executive Director of the Pokagon Fund effective June 7, 2019. As they continue to look for an executive director, John will manage the office and Kaaren Cass will continue to maintain the grant writing. If we should need anything he will be of assistance.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:**

On Tuesday afternoon 1-4 Chikaming Staff will be doing the annual clean up on Red Arrow Highway corridor.

If anyone would like to help, please make sure you get an orange vest and supplies from the office. The welcome signs will also be painted, throughout the township.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 PM, by Rettig, supported by Marske.

All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

**Respectfully Submitted by,**

**Paula Dudiak  
Chikaming Township Clerk**