

NEW BUFFALO TOWNSHIP BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING
JULY 18, 2011
17425 RED ARROW HIGHWAY
NEW BUFFALO, MICHIGAN

Supervisor Dudiak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Board Members Present: Dudiak, Heit, Oselka, Rahm, and Rogers.

Dudiak led the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

REPORTS

Monthly departmental reports were received.

Reports

AGENDA ITEMS

Heit moved, Rahm seconded to approve items on the consent agenda:
Minutes of the June 20, June 28, June 29, and July 5, 2011 Meetings

Consent
Agenda

Bills

- 1. General \$91,150.60
- 2. Building \$15,598.14
- 3. Sewer \$31,986.14
- 4. Water \$46,210.25
- 5. Liquor \$395.61
- 6. Ambulance \$8,869.67
- 7. Park Millage \$27,345.54

Berrien County Police Payment - \$42,075.88 for June, 2011 Police Protection

Dudiak	Yes
Heit	Yes
Oselka	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Dudiak moved, Oselka seconded to approve payment of \$50 to Vicki Looney for driving the parking shuttle bus for the June 4, 2011 Memorial Park Grand Opening.

Payment
Shuttle Bus
Driver

Motion Carried

Rogers moved, Oselka seconded to approve the Draw Request for \$5,171.25 for the USDA water and sewer improvements which includes the following:

Draw
Request
USDA

Wightman & Associates, Inc. - Water	\$ 1,241.10
- Sewer	<u>\$ 3,930.15</u>
Subject to receiving the funds from the USDA.	\$ 5,171.25

Dudiak Yes
Heit Yes
Oselka Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes

Motion Carried

Rogers moved, Heit seconded to approve Change Order #B3 for an increase of \$10,545 for the sewer improvements on Harbor Country Drive.

Change
Order #B3
HC Drive
Sewer

Dudiak Yes
Heit Yes
Oselka Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes

Motion Carried

Dudiak moved, Rahm seconded to approve an increase of \$30 for the sewer connection charge (tap-in) due to a \$30 increase from the GRSD in the inspection fee and approve the revised Sewer Rates and Connection Charges chart.

Sewer
Connection
Increase

Dudiak Yes
Heit Yes
Oselka Yes
Rahm Yes
Rogers Yes

Motion Carried

Heit moved, Dudiak seconded to approve, upon recommendation of the New Buffalo Township Planning Commission, a private road permit for Marie Kucera/JVR Properties LLC for a private road to be named Kucera Drive located at 9100 Union Pier Road, Union Pier, Michigan, 49129, being parcel #11-13-0231-0030-00-2 and 11-13-0231-0027-02-8 to provide access for future development of the property with residential use in the southwest portion of the property and commercial along Union Pier Road.

Private Road
Permit
Kucera Drive

This permission is to construct a Private road from Union Pier Road to the southerly edge of the wetlands and floodplain according to the plans submitted. It is not to complete the entire road as described in the Plans submitted.

The permission is subject to state and federal permits already properly obtained from the various jurisdictions. The purpose of the road is most likely to create a residential development, but the initial private road permit sought is for approximately 1,400 feet of road way and utility installation only. No site plans for actual development have been submitted and no such permits are granted.

The permit for the private road does not imply any permits for actual development of the rest of the road and does not imply that the road will be completed to its approximate 2,500 foot total length with a cul-de-sac indicated on the plans. It is just a permit to build a road to the southerly side of the regulated wetlands and floodplain.

Said permit is subject to the standard requirements that the applicant comply with all other municipal, county, state, and federal laws and permit requirements.

Performance bond is waived in this case.

Dudiak	Yes
Heit	Yes
Oselka	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes

Motion	Carried
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Rogers moved, Rahm seconded to approve Deputy Clerk, Katharine Butler, attend the Clerking 201 training sessions on September 16 and 23, 2011 at Lake Township at a cost of \$15 and mileage reimbursement.

Clerking
201 Session
Deputy Clerk

Motion	Carried
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Dudiak moved, Oselka seconded to approve firefighter Mike Pliss attend the Indiana Emergency Response conference in Indianapolis on August 17 & 18, 2011 for a cost of up to \$500, for 2 nights hotel room and registration. No other expenses will be reimbursed by the Township.

Pliss
Emerg. Resp.
Conference

Motion	Carried
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Oselka moved, Rahm seconded to approve mileage reimbursement for a firefighter to go to New York City to pick up a piece of the World Trade Center building.

Firefighter
Mileage to
NYC

Motion	Carried
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Oselka moved, Dudiak seconded to approve a first version of the Grass, Noxious Weeds, and Vegetation Ordinance.

Weed
Ordinance
1st Version

Dudiak	Yes
Heit	Yes
Oselka	Yes
Rahm	Yes
Rogers	Yes
Motion	Carried

Rogers moved, Heit seconded to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion	Carried
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Submitted,

Paul Oselka
Clerk