

**JULY 11, 2017
REGULAR MEETING**

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING DULY CALLED AND HELD AT BOYNE CITY HALL, 364 NORTH LAKE STREET, ON TUESDAY JULY 11, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Neidhamer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Tom Neidhamer, Mayor Pro-Tem Gene Towne, Commissioners Ron Grunch and Laura Sansom

Absent: Commissioner Hugh Conklin

Staff: Cindy Grice, Barb Brooks, John Lamont and Michael Cain

Others: There were six citizens in attendance including a representative from the Petoskey News Review

**Excuse Commissioner
Conklin
MOTION**

2017-07-063
Moved by Neidhamer
Second by Towne

To excuse Commissioner Conklin from tonight's meeting

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Absent: 1, Commissioner Conklin
Motion carried

**CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION**

2017-07-064
Moved by Towne
Second by Sansom

To approve the June 27, 2017 City Commission regular meeting as presented

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Absent: 1, Commissioner Conklin
Motion carried

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Melissa Gillette from the Boyne Area Chamber thanked the Fire Department for their assistance in dumping the ducks in the river for the Annual 4th of July Duck Race

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from users of the Pickle Ball Courts thanking the City for the completion of the courts and a thank you from Natalie Davenport who spent time recently shadowing City Staff were received and filed.

**CITY MANAGERS
REPORT**

City Manager Cain reported:

- A great time has been had in Boyne City since our last meeting, including a great 4th of July celebration and the largest Boyne Thunder to date
- The Farmer's Market Food Truck Rally is this Thursday from 6 – 9 pm at Veteran's Park.

- The 2nd half of the Hemlock trail at Avalanche has just opened.
- Crews will begin removing several dead trees in the cemetery

City Manager Cain, Mayor Neidhamer and Harbormaster Barb Brooks formally signed the grant agreement for the first phase of the expanded Marina improvements for the up to \$260,000 grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Waterways Commission for the floating wave attenuator. This is a huge first step for our Marina and the City. City Manager Cain also thanked Harbormaster Brooks for her hard work at the Marina and the high level of service provided there.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Proposed Boyne City Industrial Development District #6 – Van Dam

Draft minutes of the June 1, 2017 Main Street Board Meeting; the June 22, 2017 EDC Meeting; the June 29, 2017 Main Street Board Meeting and the June 29, 2017 Airport Board Meeting were received and filed.

Consideration of: 1 - Public Hearing to hear public comment regarding a request from Van Dam Marine to establish an Industrial District #6 as requested by Van Dam; 2 - Consideration to approve the proposed Resolution authorizing the establishment of that district to be named Boyne City Industrial Development District #6 and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents, and 3 - Direct the Boyne City Economic Development Commission to review and make recommendations to the City Commission regarding requests for abatements coming from any Industrial Development Districts established in the City.

City Manager Cain discussed the request from Van Dam, thru the NLEA to establish a new Industrial Development District (IDD) on their properties south of Division Street, just west of M-75. Their properties are zoned regional commercial/industrial. It is being recommended that if the City Commission chooses to establish the proposed new district, that any tax abatement request involving this and any other IDD's be considered first by our existing Economic Development Commission for a recommendation to the City Commission. This would provide a uniform two-step process for considering all such requests, no matter where in the City they come from.

Mayor Neidhamer opened the Public Hearing at 7:16 p.m.

Steve VanDam stated that the business is going into a succession process. Part of the vision is to have other marine related businesses on the site. Buck Love from NLEA said it makes good economic sense. This business has an excellent reputation and they are to be commended for doing their long range planning.

There was no other public comment.

Mayor Neidhamer closed the Public Hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Board Comments: Mayor Pro-Tem Towne said anything the City can do to help retain jobs and help develop industry, we should try to do. Commissioner Sansom also supports the request and added she's glad they're here. Commissioner Grunch inquired the proposed amount of square footage to be added and was informed about 4,720 feet. Mayor Neidhamer supports the request.

2017-07-065
Moved by Towne
Second by Sansom

To approve the proposed Resolution authorizing the establishment of the district to be named Boyne City Industrial Development District #6 and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents, and direct the Boyne City Economic Development Commission to review and make recommendations to the City Commission regarding requests for abatements coming from any Industrial Development Districts established in the City.

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Absent: 1, Commissioner Conklin
Motion carried

Good of the Order

Commissioner Sansom said she is glad to hear the water balloon signage for the raft race was educational. Mayor Neidhamer thanked staff for this past week. This town put on its best face. We excelled in keeping ourselves and services top notch.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Neidhamer seconded by Commissioner Grunch to adjourn the Regular City Commission meeting of Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 7:28 p.m.



Tom Neidhamer
Mayor



Cindy Grice
Clerk / Treasurer