

Village of Byron  
Special Council – ZBA Meeting Minutes  
March 21, 2018

**Meeting called to order at:** 5:09 pm by President Prestonise

**Pledge of Allegiance Led By:** President Prestonise

**Roll Call – Present:** Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell, Miller, Berecz and Prestonise. Absent Orr

**Approval of Agenda:** Berecz moved to accept the agenda as written; seconded by Bessenbacher. Voice Vote: Ayes – Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell, Miller, Berecz and Prestonise. Nays: None. 1 Absent; Passed.

**Approval of Minutes:** None

**Public Comments – Agenda Items:** None

**Treasurers Report** – None

**Approval of Bills** – None

**Bills Awaiting Approval** – None

**Police Report:** None

**DPW Report:** None

**DDA:** None

**Commissioner Report:** None

**Committee Reports:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business -**

**Park:** Gormley talked about the park and a lease would have to be created along with contacting the insurance company. The name would change from Park Board to Village of Byron and Park Authority. Authority would have to go through the Village and Reed explained the call to the school. Gormley said they need to create the lease and then we can go over it. Reed will call for draft. Miller motioned to adopt the ordinance to establish the Byron Park Authority; seconded by Bessenbacher. Roll Call: Ayes – Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell, Miller, Berecz and Prestonise. Nays: None. Orr Absent; Passed. Prestonise made recommendations for the Park Authority: Stella Glass, Theresa Glass, Janet Cole, Katie Dean, Bob Dean, Sara McDonnell and Ron Berecz. Bessenbacher motioned to approve the Presidents recommendations for the Park Authority; seconded by Miller. . Voice Vote: Ayes – Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell, Miller, Berecz and Prestonise. Nays: None. Orr Absent; Passed.

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**Farmer's Market:** Gormley explained the 1989 ordinance and that doesn't allow Farmer's market or craft shows but, AGS suggested a text amendment. We would have to do a hearing and we should have it done by spring. Gormley talked about the hearings and how they work. He said we are trying to create the exception and bring people into town.

**Any Other Business from Council /Comments:** Prestonise explained the maps for the SRTS grant and that he has a problem on the second page; the pink around school is sidewalk. Reed said these are the maps that go with the application. Prestonise talked about Michigan State covering the grant cost and that changed, then the 3 way split and that also changed to just the Village. More discussion took place on the subject.

**Public Comments:** J. Cole want to have a fishing contest on the residential property for 17 years down to 3 years and she said they have liability insurance. She also asked if park meetings could be held and Gormley said they could but, the Authority would have no control until lease approved. He also said that the money needs to come to the Village and they will need to keep minutes and follow the rules. Questions asked about the insurance and Reed said it was last insured 1997 and ended in 1998. Gormley suggested checking into the purchase of the park for nominal fee. He said a survey would need to be done. Reed will ask if interested in selling for nominal fee.

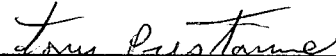
**Meeting adjourned at:** Motion to adjourn 5:53 pm by Bessenbacher; seconded by Chapman. Voice Vote: Ayes – Bessenbacher, Chapman, Campbell, Miller, Berecz and Prestonise. Nays: None. Orr Absent; Passed.



Marsha Reed, Clerk

4/9/18

Approval Date



Tory Prestonise, President