

**Leland Township Board Special Meeting**

**July 26, 2023, 11:00 a.m.**

**Leland Township Office, 224 W. Main St., Lake Leelanau 49653**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Susan Och, Clerk Lisa Brookfield, Trustee Clint Mitchell, Trustee Mariann Kirch

**ABSENT:** Shirley Garthe

**GUESTS:** Cal Little, Keith Ashley

**CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. Och called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**ACTION:** Ms. Brookfield moved to approve the agenda as presented; supported by Mr. Mitchell.  
Motion carried. (4,0)

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS** - None

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. Resolution R-23-19 authorizing Supervisor and Clerk to sign closing documents for purchase of 489 Main St., \$600,000, and closing costs.

There was discussion about the possibility of an addition to the building and if it would be allowed in the land contract. It was suggested that refinancing would provide the Township ownership so any improvements could be done. There was discussion about a bond being for the building or the building and an addition.

**ACTION:** Mr. Mitchell moved to approve Resolution R23-19 authorizing the Supervisor and the Clerk to sign closing documents for the purchase of 489 Main St., \$600,000, and closing costs; supported by Ms. Kirch.

VOICE ROLL CALL: (not necessarily called in this order)

Supervisor Susan Och: Yes

Clerk Lisa Brookfield: Yes

Treasurer Shirley Garthe: Absent

Trustee Clint Mitchell: Yes

Trustee Mariann Kirch: Yes Motion carried. 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent

- 2. Approve rates for Harbor Parking - \$2.00 per hour.

Without reinforcement, the parking fee is voluntary. It was expressed that the 24-hour time period is excessive. Jeremy Anderson has had some thoughts about changing the time frame. It is something that can be looked at in the spring. Ms. Kirch researched other marina parking lots and the average fee is \$1.00 to \$1.40 per hour. There has been good feedback about the parking meters and spaces have been more available.

**ACTION:** Ms. Brookfield moved to approve the rate for the Harbor parking at \$2.00 an hour; supported by Mr. Mitchell. Motion carried. (4,0)

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Cal Little – He asked if the objective for the parking fee is for revenue or for more parking spaces. He suggested a fee schedule that would be more expensive after 3 hours. He also stated that he hopes the Board is considering the property purchase as a permanent move. He commented on his previous proposal for a sign for the building. He understands the Board’s concern about the cost and design of the proposed sign. There was discussion about using other types of material.

Keith Ashley – He complimented the Board for their expeditious manner in acquiring the property. He expressed his concern about RV campers using the marina parking for overnight stays.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION:** Mr. Mitchell moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:34 a.m.; supported by Ms. Kirch. Motion carried. (4,0)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cindy Kacin, Recording Secretary

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Susan Och, Leland Township Supervisor

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Lisa Brookfield, Township Clerk