

**REGULAR MEETING
MAY 8TH, 2019 6:00 P.M.
KENTLAND TOWN HALL**

Attending: James Sammons, President, David Michael Rowe and Debby Shufflebarger, Council Members, Patrick Ryan, Town Attorney and Judy King, Clerk/Treasurer

The meeting opened by saying the Pledge of Allegiance

David Hamilton, Eagle Scout, presented specs on a GaGa Pit to be placed at Batton Park. This pit is made out of recycle material and would be an octagon shape of 20 x 20. He would like the approval of the Kentland Town Board to move forward on the concept. A motion was made by Michael Rowe and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger.

Jacob Shufflebarger, Jefferson Township Trustee, would like to place bean bag toss games at Cast Park. Nikki Hangar, Lake Township Trustee, purchased these for the north end of the County and Jacob thought it would be a good idea for this park. They will be made out of concrete and would probably need the help of Town Employee's to put them in place. This will be no cost to The Town of Kentland. This is totally funded by Jefferson Township Trustee. A motion was made by Debby Shufflebarger to have Jacob go forward with this and seconded by Michael Rowe.

Tim Meyer, Newton County Economic Development let everyone know that the Historical Marker will be in place for the June 8th, 2019 dedication. Newton County Highway will be putting up the pole and plaque. Mike Rowe will speak at the dedication ceremony. Tim also let the Board know that July 16th, 2019 will be Kentland Night at the Fair. There will be no cost to The Town for their participation.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Matt Wittenborn reported on the following:

1 Permit issued

A lot of calls on fencing – Matt thinks we need to charge a fee for this

PARK BOARD

Nothing to report

TOWN MANAGER

TJ Firkins was not available but left a list on the following:

TJ received a quote for the sidewalk and steps at the Depot. \$700.00 for the concrete and \$1,100.00 for the railing. This should be completed before June. A motion was made by Debby Shufflebarger and seconded by Mike Rowe to move forward.

The Town has received 3 quotes on the garbage truck. All of the bids are over \$150,000.00 and Town Attorney, Patrick Ryan stated that it needs to be put out for bids.

TJ met with Central Paving and the paving of the streets should start sometime in June.

Painting of the pool will need other help. Possibly get someone besides a town employee to get this done. The Board suggested that TJ get quotes from others.

Truck decals are ready for pick up. Should be put on the trucks before the end of the week.

Vertical Horizon's is still waiting on the contract from Pat Ryan.

Clean up day was a success. Two dumpsters were filled before 2:30 P.M.

FIRE CHIEF

Matt Wittenborn reported on the following:

0 Fire Calls

22 Medical Calls

Full Roster for the Fire Department

TOWN MARSHAL

Julian Elson was not present but left a report on the following:

121 Calls

Julian had been out and issued 9 properties within the Town of Kentland a Tall Grass Violation. They have 7 days to comply or The Town will mow the properties at a charge of \$150.00 per property.

AVIATION

Chuck Classen reported on the following:

Received the final check for the Aerial Applicators in the amount of \$262.00

Fuel Sales are down because of the high prices.

TOWN ATTORNEY

Pat Ryan reported on the following:

Dr. Price property will need dirt brought in and rock taken out from the Storm Water Project. The Town will need to get quotes on the yard.

Pat is working with the property owner's attorney at 108 West Dunlap Street. The property owner will be signing over the property and The Town will need to pay all back taxes or any other liens. They need to look at quotes for tearing down the house and hauling away.

CLERK

Judy King reported on the following:

Judy looked into costs for Republic Services to pick up sanitation within The Town in place of doing it themselves. The costs from Republic are:

Year 1	\$13.40
Year 2	\$13.94
Year 3	\$14.50

Commercial Dumpsters are:

Year 1	\$100.00
Year 2	\$104.00
Year 3	\$108.16

With the quotes received the sanitation would double for residents. Our current charge for a resident is \$6.50 per month.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

OLD BUSINESS

Debby Shufflebarger brought up the Economic Development Board. She has 3 good candidates that agreed to sit on the board. Mike Davis, Tim Storey and Bill Pitchford. Pat Ryan suggested that before appointing anyone to the board The Council look at the ordinance for Economic Development and staggered terms.

NEW BUSINESS

Opening Day Ceremony for Baseball will be Saturday at 11:30 A.M. They have 109 kids signed up.

Pool Passes will be available this year. The costs will be:

Daily	\$3.00 for Residents	\$5.00 for Non Residents
Individual Pass	\$100.00 for Residents	\$125.00 for Non Residents
Family Pass	\$325.00 for Residents (4)	\$375.00 for Non Residents
Extra Child	\$25.00	\$25.00

Pool Party Rental \$150.00

A motion was made by Mike Rowe to accept the fees and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger.

Upon motion by Mike Rowe and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger the minutes from Regular Meeting on April 10th, 2019 were approved.

Upon motion by Mike Rowe and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger the minutes from Public Meeting on April 25th, 2019 were approved.

Upon motion by Mike Rowe and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger the claims were approved.

Upon motion by Mike Rowe and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger the financial report was approved.

Being no further business, upon motion by Debby Shufflebarger and seconded by Mike Rowe, the meeting was adjourned.

James Sammons, President

David Michael Rowe, Member

Debby Shufflebarger, Member

Attest: _____
Judy M. King, Clerk/Treasurer