

PROPOSED MINUTES
LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
4338 BEELINE ROAD
ALLEGAN COUNTY
HOLLAND, MI 49423

RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING
October 13, 2009

ARTICLE I. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Terry Hofmeyer called the regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE

Treasurer Gary Dewey opened the meeting with prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Hofmeyer, Wendy Van Huis, Ed Stielstra, Bob Scanlan, Gary Dewey

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – Township Manager
Bob Curnick – Township Deputy
Diane Ybarra – Recording Secretary

ARTICLE III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the September 9 and 30, 2009 meetings. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Wendy Van Huis and seconded by Ed Stielstra to approve the minutes as submitted. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE IV. TREASURERS REPORT/REVIEW & APPROVE THE BILLS

Supervisor Hofmeyer reviewed the bills for the month of September 2009. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Gary Dewey and seconded by Wendy Van Huis to approve and pay the bills as submitted. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE V. CORRESPONDENCE

ARTICLE VI. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- A. STATE REPRESENTATIVE GENETSKI – No report.

B. COUNTY COMMISSIONER BURNS – Terry Burns

Commissioner Terry Burns reported that the 911 Proposal will be on the ballot in November. This is a renewal of the previous program with a change to a cap of \$2.83 per line. It is currently at \$1.64, but the actual cap is over \$3.00. This includes land lines and cell phones at the same price at not to exceed \$2.83. The land lines would be up to five phones per business. There will also be equipment purchases to support the upgrades to the program. Commissioner Burns stated that it would be beneficial to the County to continue supporting this program. Terry also congratulated the Board for using the ARRA Recovery Zone bonds for the Township.

C. PLANNING COMMISSION – Ed Stielstra

Ed Stielstra reported that the Planning Commission met on October 7 and the following topics were discussed: the Zoning Ordinance proposal; approved the Lubbers Special Use Request to construct an accessory building; approved Gibson Christian Reformed Church Special Use Request to construct a youth center; approved Fulgoni Site Plan for a single family dwelling.

D. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – Bob Scanlan

Bob Scanlan reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals met on September 28 and the following topics were discussed: King Variance Request was withdrawn.

E. PARKS COMMISSION – Al Meshkin

Al Meshkin confirmed that there were 15 hunters selected in the lottery for the Huyser Farm hunt. The curbs are in on the basketball court at Shore Acres Park to transform it into an ice rink. The dirt delivery is underway for the Township Hall property.

F. DEPUTY SHERIFF – Deputy Bob Curnick

Deputy Curnick cautioned that the deer are moving and motorists should be aware. There are also an abundance of turkeys running in the township. He will be passing out glow sticks again on Halloween. He also recommended that those leaving their homes for extended vacations fill out a property check request so their homes will be monitored while homeowners are away.

G. FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE BOARD – No report.

The response calls for the month of September as follows: 21 calls total, 15 calls from Laketown, consisting of 11 rescue and 4 fire, 5 calls from Fillmore, consisting of 3 rescue calls and 2 fire. There was one fire assist to Holland City Fire Department.

H. DDA – Al Meshkin

Al Meshkin reported that the DDA has not met in some time. Al is waiting for Allegan County to finish the budget process before opening discussion for the revenue sharing program.

I. COMMISSION ON THE AGING – No report.

ARTICLE VII. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS ON OLD AND NEW BUSINESS – No comments.

ARTICLE VIII. OLD BUSINESS – None

ARTICLE IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. AQUATIC CENTER APPOINTMENT

Terry Hofmeyer made recommendation to appoint Sara Geisler to the Aquatic Center as the Laketown Township representation. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Gary Dewey and seconded by Bob Scanlan to appoint Sara Geisler as the Laketown representative to the Aquatic Center. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

B. ENERGY GRANT SUBMITTAL

Terry Hofmeyer reviewed the Energy Grant to upgrade the heating system at the Felt Mansion. Al Meshkin explained that this is stimulus money available at the federal level and it does not require a match from the Township. The old steam system would be removed and a new energy efficient system would be installed.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Bob Scanlan and seconded by Wendy Van Huis to approve the Energy Grant Submittal. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE X. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS – No comment.

ARTICLE XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gary Dewey and seconded by Wendy Van Huis to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 P.M. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED