

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

PREMEETING 6:00 PM  
SHARED USE PATH RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

REGULAR MEETING  
7:00 PM  
July 14, 2010

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

Trustee Bob Scanlan opened the meeting with prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor Hofmeyer thanked the residents for attending the ribbon cutting ceremony for the shared use path and also Dan Hoe Excavating for providing the dinner.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – Township Manager  
Cal Haverdink – Township Fire Chief  
Diane Ybarra – Recording Secretary

ARTICLE III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the June 9, 2010 meetings. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Gary Dewey and seconded by Ed Stielstra to approve the minutes as submitted.**

**Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion.  
UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE IV. TREASURER'S REPORT/REVIEW & APPROVE THE BILLS

Supervisor Hofmeyer reviewed the bills for the month of June 2010. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Bob Scanlan and seconded by Wendy Van Huis to approve and pay the bills as submitted.**

**Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion.  
UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE V. CORRESPONDENCE - None

ARTICLE VI. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- A. STATE REPRESENTATIVE GENETSKI – No report.
- B. COUNTY COMMISSIONER BURNS – Terry Burns

Commissioner Burns discussed the jail issue and senior citizens millage renewal. The jail issue has been ongoing for about 12 years. The old Haworth chair factory in Allegan has been purchased for the new jail site. The ballot is rather long but the total commitment would be 20 years for about \$32 million. The site has been paid for as well as the construction manager and design firm. RFP's will not be sent out until the millage is passed. The projected millage would cost the average tax payer approximately \$44.00 per year. The current jail house is functionally obsolete and must be replaced. There are tours taking place of the new proposed site on Thursday evenings from 5:00-7:00 pm and Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>. The new facility would afford more space for training and other potential uses. It is critical that the millage passes so we can move forward with the project. Al Meshkin stated that there have been several times when the judge has had to release inmates early or has issued lighter sentences to alleviate overcrowding. Terry Burns invites anyone who has questions to call him at 616-403-0427. Terry Hofmeyer and Bob Scanlan will be on the radio next Monday to discuss the jail project.

- C. PLANNING COMMISSION – Ed Stielstra

Ed Stielstra reported that the Planning Commission met on July 7 and the following items were discussed: approved Edewaard Special Use Request for a one chair home salon; approved to make recommendation to the Township Board for approval of the Tews Property Rezoning Request; continued the Zoning Ordinance review with distribution of an updated draft to be discussed at the next meeting.

- D. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – Bob Scanlan

Bob Scanlan reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals met on June 28 and the following item was discussed: denied Karas – Stanley Variance Request.

- E. PARKS COMMISSION – Chuck Strabbing

Chuck Strabbing reported that the Parks Commission met on June 16 and discussed regular business updates and the Huyser Memorial/Blueberry Jam Festival to be held on July 25. The new gazebo will also be dedicated to the Huyser family at that time. There was discussion of a mountain bike trail at Shore Acres Park. The Felt Mansion will have a concert week-end on September 10-12 with some great popular acts. The parks are busy and the disc golf course is very popular for all ages.

- F. DEPUTY SHERIFF – No report.

- G. FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE BOARD – Cal Haverdink

The response calls for the month of June are as follows: 23 calls total, 16 calls from Laketown, consisting of 12 rescue and 4 fire, 6 calls from Fillmore, consisting of 3 rescue calls and 3 fire. There was one fire assist to the Saugatuck Department. The attendance for the annual pancake breakfast was somewhat down but it may have been due to some confusion on the date as some residents showed up on Monday morning instead of Saturday.

- H. DDA – No report.

ARTICLE VII. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS ON OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Marge Baker, running for Circuit Court Judge in Allegan County distributed literature for her campaign.

## ARTICLE VIII. OLD BUSINESS

### A. INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE

Supervisor Hofmeyer stated that the Board has discussed this to some degree but it will remain tabled for further review.

## ARTICLE IX. NEW BUSINESS

### A. SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 11, RESOLUTIONS #5 AND PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor Terry Hofmeyer explained that this addresses the area that is part of the Blue Star Corridor east of the highway.

S.A.D. No. 11 Resolution #5 Township Resolution 2010-11 addresses the wastewater for properties near Blue Star Highway and the interstate near Exit 41.

Supervisor Hofmeyer opened for public hearing.

Cal De Maadg of 3719 64<sup>th</sup> Street asked that the site be pointed out on the map. Terry Hofmeyer demonstrated the areas for discussion. Ed Stielstra confirmed that the Red Barn is not part of the assessment.

Terry Hofmeyer closed the public hearing.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Gary Dewey and seconded by Bob Scanlan to adopt the Special Assessment District No. 11, Township Resolution 2010-15.**

**Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion.  
UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

### B. ORDINANCE #161, STEELE PROPERTY REZONING

Supervisor Hofmeyer explained the recycling and waste collection area is zoned part industrial and part agriculture.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Ed Stielstra and seconded by Wendy Van Huis to approve the Steele Property Rezoning.**

**Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion.  
UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

### C. ORDINANCE #162, CODE ADOPTION

Supervisor Hofmeyer stated that we have been in the process of re-codifying the ordinances and showed the binder with the end result. It is available for public review. Al Meshkin stated that the new version is a very logical and organized method of understanding the ordinances. If adopted, it will also be put on the Township website and will update revisions in near real time.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Bob Scanlan and seconded by Gary Dewey to approve Ordinance #162, Code Adoption.**

**Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion.  
UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

D. SECOND AMENDMENT TO HOLLAND – LAKETOWN WATER AGREEMENT

Supervisor Hofmeyer explained that this item will be tabled until the Castle Park Association has more time to review the amendment.

E. AUGUST MEETING ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2010

Terry Hofmeyer advised that the August meeting must be changed due to conflicts in Board members' schedules.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Gary Dewey and seconded by Wendy Van Huis to approve the change in date for the August meeting to Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion.  
UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE X. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Cal De Maadg of 3719 64<sup>th</sup> Street asked if the Township will pay for the three sections of the bike path that are being reconstructed to add additional drains. Mr. De Maadg also stated that some people are using the bike path for extra parking spaces. Terry Hofmeyer stated that it is not intended to be used for parking or motor vehicle use. Terry confirmed that some sections did have to be corrected due to minor design changes, which is at the Township expense. Al Meshkin confirmed that if we did not call out a culvert or such an item we do pay for it but if it is a crack in the concrete, something like that, it is at the contractor expense.

ARTICLE XI.

**A motion was made by Gary Dewey and seconded by Bob Scanlan to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 P.M. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**