

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

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
December 11, 2019

ARTICLE I. CALL TO ORDER

Township Supervisor Linda Howell called the regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Linda Howell, Michelle Sall, Jim Johnson, Gary Dewey
MEMBERS ABSENT: Ed Stielstra
STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – Township Manager

ARTICLE II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting. **A motion was made by Dewey and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes as submitted. Supervisor Howell called for a vote on the motion. DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE III. FINANCIAL REPORT / REVIEW & APPROVE THE BILLS

Supervisor Howell reviewed the bills for the month of November 2019. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Dewey and seconded by Sall to approve and pay the bills as submitted. Supervisor Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE IV. CORRESPONDENCE RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS - none

ARTICLE V. PRESENTATION ON ALLEGAN COUNTY LEGAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

Circuit Court Judge Marge Bakker and County Sheriff Frank Baker gave an informative presentation on the Allegan County Legal Assistance Center.

ARTICLE VI. REPORT OF OFFICERS

A. COUNTY COMMISSIONER – KAPENGA

County Commissioner Dean Kapenga discussed Lake Michigan shoreline erosion and a groundwater aquifer study the county is considering.

B. PLANNING COMMISSION – JOHNSON

Johnson reported that the Planning Commission did not meet in December.

C. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Meshkin reported that the ZBA did not meet in November.

D. PARKS COMMISSION - SHUFF

Shuff reported that the Parks Commission met on November 20 and discussed the following: ODC presentation was given; Parks Welcoming Signs; Work Areas in Parks with WiFi; a resolution regarding the Planning Commission work on the Master Plan.

E. FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE BOARD – DEN BLEYKER

Chief Den Bleyker reported the response calls for the month of November were as follows: 77 calls total, 60 calls from Laketown, consisting of 37 medical/rescue, 23 fire calls and 2 smoke alarm installs; 10 calls from Fillmore, consisting of 5 medical/rescue calls and 5 fire calls. There were 5 assists to other departments,

ARTICLE VII. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS ON OLD AND NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS

Jim Johnson reported on recent vehicle larcenies that happened in his neighborhood and his positive experience with the Allegan County Sheriff Department.

ARTICLE VIII. OLD BUSINESS - None

ARTICLE IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Howell explained that there are two appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Chad Nienhuis as an alternate, expiring 12/31/2022; Barb Hibiski as an alternate, expiring 12/31/2020 (finishing David Weishaar’s term). **A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Sall to appoint Chad Nienhuis and Barb Hibiski as alternates to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

It was also noted that Marc DeHaan was appointed to the Board of Review at the December 4 Township Board workshop meeting with a term to expire on 12/31/2020. Bob Jaskulski’s resignation of this seat was accepted with regret.

B. KELLY INTER-COUNTY DRAIN BOND RESOLUTION

Meshkin reviewed the Kelly Inter-County Drain Bond Resolution 2019-13. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Dewey and seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 2019-Kelly Inter-County Drain Bond. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

C. TUCKER MARINE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Meshkin explained the history with Tucker Marine and the need for a settlement agreement. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Sall and seconded by Dewey to approve the Tucker Marine Settlement Agreement. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE X. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Sherry Sirko asked where the Tucker Marine property was.

Sheriff Baker spoke of the effect of the Governor's line item budget veto of the road patrol.

ARTICLE XI. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Sall to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED