

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

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
April 10, 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, Ed Stielstra  
MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Dewey  
STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – Township Manager  
Diane Ybarra – Recording Secretary

ARTICLE II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the March 13, 2019 meeting. **A motion was made by Sall and seconded by Stielstra 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 March 2019. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Stielstra 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. SAUGATUCK SCHOOL BOND PROPOSAL PRESENTATION

Dr. Jim Travis, Superintendent of Saugatuck Public Schools, presented the May 7, 2019 bond proposal to the Board and answered questions from the board and the audience.

ARTICLE VI. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- A. COUNTY COMMISSIONER – not present
- B. PLANNING COMMISSION – HOWELL

Howell reported that the Planning Commission met on April 3, 2019 and the Gonzales Special Use Request was reviewed and tabled. On April 8 the Planning Commission had a master plan workshop and began work on the future land use map.

- C. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – STIELSTRA

Stielstra reported that the ZBA met on March 27 and denied the Bredeway variance request.

D. PARKS COMMISSION – SHUFF

Shuff reported that the Parks Commission met on March 20, 2019 and the following items were discussed: invasive species at Sanctuary Woods; grant update; Blue Star non-motorized path and the 2019 maintenance proposal for Laketown Beach.

E. FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE BOARD – DEN BLEYKER

Chief Den Bleyker was not present but provided a written report. The response calls for the month of March were as follows: 43 calls total, 25 calls from Laketown, consisting of 19 medical/rescue and 6 fire calls, 3 smoke alarm installs; 8 from Fillmore, consisting of 7 medical/rescue calls and 1 fire call. There were 7 assists to other departments.

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

Keith Becksvoort of 4468 64<sup>th</sup> Street questioned the ability to fight invasive species at Sanctuary Woods.

ARTICLE VIII. OLD BUSINESS - none

ARTICLE IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2019 ROAD RESURFACING BIDS

Meshkin reviewed the 2019 Road Resurfacing Bids. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Stielstra and seconded by Sall to approve the 2019 Road Resurfacing Bid of Superior Asphalt at \$391,775. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

B. ORDINANCE #191 ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

Meshkin reviewed Ordinance #191 Zoning Text Amendment. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Stielstra and seconded by Sall to approve the Ordinance #191 Zoning Text Amendment. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

C. ORDINANCE #192 ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT HOME OFFICE, HOME OCCUPATIONS & ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

Meshkin reviewed Ordinance #192 Zoning Text Amendment Home Office, Home Occupations & Accessory Dwelling Units. Sall questioned if there was a limit on the number of accessory dwelling units on a parcel. Following further discussion, **a motion was made by Sall and seconded by Stielstra to approve Ordinance #192 Zoning Text Amendment Home Office, Home Occupations & Accessory Dwelling Units. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

D. ORDINANCE #193 FIREWORKS ORDINANCE

Meshkin explained Ordinance #193 Fireworks Ordinance. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Stielstra and seconded by Sall to approve Ordinance #193 Fireworks Ordinance. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

E. RESOLUTION 2019-06 NONPARTISAN TOWNSHIP OFFICES RESOLUTION

Meshkin read and explained Resolution 2019-06 Nonpartisan Township Offices. Following

discussion, a motion was made by Stielstra and seconded by Sall to approve Resolution 2019-06 Nonpartisan Township Offices. Howell called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED

ARTICLE X. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS

Dick Becker of 2382 Valley stated this is grassroots government and he misses having the pledge and prayer on the agenda.

Marcia Perry of 6248 Blue Star Highway stated she agrees with the changes to the agenda.

Keith Becksvoort of 4468 64<sup>th</sup> Street stated he disagrees and the pledge and prayer should be on the agenda. Keith also asked if 64<sup>th</sup> Street was going to be milled and ground before paving, questioned if a marijuana establishment was still operating in the township, and if accessory dwelling units can include mobile homes.

ARTICLE XI. ADJOURN

Howell adjourned the meeting at 7:55 P.M.

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Michelle Sall, Township Clerk

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Diane Ybarra, Recording Secretary