

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

April 13, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

Township Supervisor Linda Howell called the regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the township hall. Zoom option also available for the public.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Delaney, Linda Howell, Jim Johnson, Michelle Sall

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Dewey

STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – township manager  
Doug Den Bleyker – Graafschap Fire Department chief  
Jim Hayden – Public information officer

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The board members reviewed the minutes of the March 9, 2022, meeting. **A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Sall, to approve the minutes as submitted. Howell called for a vote on the motion. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE**

3. FINANCIAL REPORT/REVIEW & APPROVE BILLS

The board reviewed the bills from March. **A motion was made by Sall, seconded by Johnson, to approve the March bills as submitted. Howell called for a vote on the motion. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE**

4. PRESENTATION BY LAKESHORE ADVANTAGE

Amanda Cooper, vice president of strategic initiatives of Lakeshore Advantage presented an overview of the nonprofit economic development group.

5. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- a. County Commissioner Kapenga: No report.
- b. Planning Commission: Johnson shared activity from April meeting.
- c. Zoning Board of Appeals: No report.
- d. Parks Commission: Meshkin shared information from the March meeting and special April meeting.
- e. Graafschap Fire Department: Chief Doug Den Bleyker: March fire/rescue calls -- 71 total, Fillmore – 2 fire calls, 12 medical/rescue calls; Laketown – 5 fire calls, 52 medical/rescue calls; Assists – 7 fire calls (3 to Holland, 2 to Saugatuck, 1 to Ganges, 1 to Hamilton).

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS ON OLD AND NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS -- None

7. OLD BUSINESS -- None

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Fire, Roads, Bike Paths and Drains Renewal Resolution

The board discussed the proposed resolution to place a 2 mill request for fire, road, bicycle path and drain renewal request on the August ballot.

**A motion was made by Sall, seconded by Johnson, to place the 2-mill request for fire, roads, bike paths and drains on the Aug. 2 ballot. Howell called for a vote on the motion. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE**

b. 2022 Road Construction Bids

The board discussed the bid tabulations for the 2022 local road resurfacing. (Howell stepped out of the meeting room at 7:39 p.m. to take a phone call; returned 7:48 p.m.)

**A motion was made by Sall, seconded by Delaney, to approve the low bid by Black Gold Transport for \$674,437.50 for local road surfacing. Howell called for a vote on the motion. MOTION APPROVED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE.**

9. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Seth Getz, no address given: Introduced self as candidate for the 86th State House District includes the city of Holland and Park, Laketown and part of Holland townships.

10. ADJOURN

**A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Delaney, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Howell called for a vote on the motion. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED 4-0 BY VOICE VOTE.**