

MINUTES
LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
4338 BEELINE ROAD
ALLEGAN COUNTY
HOLLAND, MI 49423
WORKSHOP MEETING
Wednesday, July 1, 2015

ARTICLE I. CALL TO ORDER

Terry Hofmeyer called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Hofmeyer, Linda Howell, Ed Stielstra, Wendy Van Huis
MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Dewey
STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin
OTHERS PRESENT: None

ARTICLE II. MINUTES – A motion was made by Howell and seconded by Stielstra to approve the Workshop minutes from June 3, 2015, Unanimous decision – Motion approved.

ARTICLE III. TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS – None

ARTICLE IV. NON AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Bills for June were handed out for review
- B. Correspondence: Community Foundation's Annual Fall Celebration Sept. 17 "Save the Date" card; Invitation to Third Coast Food & Drink Fest on July 16th.
- C. Al gave an update on the Proposed Macatawa Water Project. We are close to getting numbers from the engineers. Al will be meeting with the engineers again in mid July.
- D. Fiber Optics – to date there has been no response from the Fiber Optics company regarding the survey. Al will put an informational article in the next newsletter.
- E. Solar Array at the Mansion – Al reported that the meeting held at the mansion was very informative, however, poorly attended. There have been 34 requests for information with 2 residents having put deposits down. Ron Bultje is reviewing the Power Purchase Agreement.
- F. The Board discussed the possibility of putting a ballot proposal on the November ballot. The suggested proposal would be for a dedicated millage of 1 mill for 5 years for the Fire Department. The deadline for getting a proposal on the ballot is August 11th. No decision was made at this time. It was the consensus of the Board to reschedule the Regular Township Board meeting for August to Monday, August 10 to enable meeting the deadline should they decided on a proposal. With the small operating millage in place, and costs ever increasing, budget constraints remain a major concern. The Board will continue to discuss ways of addressing this issue.
- G. Reminder – The July Township Board Meeting is canceled; the August Township Board Meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, August 10 at 7:00 p.m.**

ARTICLE V. NEXT WORKSHOP MEETING – The next Workshop meeting is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. August 5, 2015.

ARTICLE VI. – CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – NONE

ARTICLE VII. – ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

_____ Wendy Van Huis, Clerk