

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

October 12, 2016

ARTICLE I. CALL TO ORDER

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Hofmeyer, Wendy Van Huis, Linda Howell,
Ed Stielstra, Gary Dewey

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – Township Manager

ARTICLE II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Supervisor Hofmeyer opened the meeting with prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

ARTICLE III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the September 14, 2016 meeting. **A motion was made by Howell and seconded by Dewey to approve the minutes as submitted. Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE IV. FINANCIAL REPORT / REVIEW & APPROVE THE BILLS

Supervisor Hofmeyer reviewed the bills for the month of September 2016. Following discussion, **a motion was made by Dewey and seconded by 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 WHITEFORD - no report

B. COUNTY COMMISSIONER KAPENGA – no report

C. PLANNING COMMISSION – HOWELL

Howell reported that the Planning Commission met on October 5 and discussed the following items: tabled Master Plan review discussion; approved Havlik rezoning request; approved Indian Pipe II Site Plan Review; approved Cazer-Bradley Site Plan Review; tabled RPE Special Use Requests #1 and #2 pending report and resolution be prepared by township attorney for review at the next meeting; approved Grasman Special Use Request.

D. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – STIELSTRA

Stielstra reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet in September.

E. PARKS COMMISSION – MICHELLE SALL

The Parks Commission met on September 21 and discussed grant possibilities for the township beach, restroom funding, reuse of old township hall, the Huyser Hunt and invasive species.

F. FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE BOARD – CHIEF DEN BLEYKER

Chief Den Bleyker submitted a written report on the response calls for the month of September: 29 calls total, 19 calls from Laketown, consisting of 15 rescue and 4 fire, 6 calls from Fillmore, consisting of 5 rescue calls and 1 fire call, and 4 assists to other departments.

ARTICLE VII. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS ON OLD AND NEW BUSINESS - None

ARTICLE VIII. OLD BUSINESS – None

ARTICLE IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. HAVLIK PROPERTY REZONING

Supervisor Hofmeyer asked Howell and Meshkin to review the Havlik Property Rezoning Request.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Dewey and seconded by Stielstra to approve the Havlik Property Rezoning Request. Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

B. SECOND AMENDMENT WASTE HAULER AGREEMENT

Supervisor Hofmeyer asked Meshkin to review the Second Amendment to the Waste Hauler Agreement.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Dewey and seconded by Stielstra to approve the Second Amendment Waste Hauler Agreement. Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE X. CITIZEN’S COMMENTS

David and Sheryl Laupmanis of 6526 Creekwood Drive spoke in favor of a fiber optic revote.

Felipe Rodriguez 4011 62nd Street stated he is very interested in technology particularly the possible fiber optic system. He also stated his concerns for municipal water at Chef Container for the fire department.

Bill Gilmore of 6421 Sandcastle Drive commended the board and Meshkin for their work on the fiber optic project.

Mike Tighe of 3860 65th Street offered support for the fiber optic project. Alternatives have been studied and fiber is the way to go.

Brad Moorer of 4151 66th Street spoke in favor of a fiber optic revote.

Lynn Smith of 6685 Sunset Concourse complemented Hofmeyer on his newsletter article and spoke

in favor of the fiber optic project.

Dick Becker of 2382 Valley stated he was in favor of internet, but not by the township.

Keith Becksvoort of 4468 64th Street asked about available water for the Havlik development and about progress on the Copperleaf project.

ARTICLE XI. ADJOURN

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M. Supervisor Hofmeyer called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTON APPROVED

Township Clerk, Wendy Van Huis

Recording Secretary, Diane Ybarra