

Township of Lake

Huron County, Michigan
October 17, 2011

This meeting of the Lake Township Board called to order at 7:30 P.M. Pledge of allegiance. Roll call. Osborne, Fischer, Smith, Hartsell and McCallum present along with 12 guests.

Meeting Agenda: Smith requested the addition of letter of intent from Neil Rohner for alternate to Board of Review, snowplowing bids and PO Box 1025. **Motion by Osborne to approve the agenda with additions, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried.**

Minutes of September 19, 2011 Regular Meeting: Motion by Fischer to approve, seconded by Hartsell. Motion carried.

Reports from Board Officers:

Supervisor: None.

Treasurer: Fischer stated her report has been filed. McCallum noted that general checking balance was not correct for the month ending September 30, 2011. Fischer said to look at the back of the bank statement and she is not changing her report. McCallum provided a balance sheet to board members showing bank balances as of September 30, 2011. **Motion by Osborne to approve Treasurer's Report as submitted, seconded by Hartsell. Motion carried – McCallum opposed.**

Clerk: McCallum wanted to inform the board of the correct procedure for approving or "not" approving minutes based upon her experience in 2009 and read correspondence received upon request from the MTA at that time following a meeting in which she had made a motion to "not" approve the previous minutes as follows:

"MCL 15.269(1) states that:...'The public body shall make any corrections in the minutes at the next meeting after the meeting to which the minutes refer. The public body shall make corrected minutes available at or before the next subsequent meeting after correction. The corrected minutes shall show both the original entry and the correction.'

Based on the statute, minutes are not subject to approval (or not) as you are suggesting by the type of motion you made – a motion to 'not' approve the minutes. **Only corrections to the minutes are what can be approved or not by the board.** Any board member may propose corrections to the minutes, but the township board must vote to approve any corrections."

Trustees: Osborne reported that he repaired the lock on the back door and the door is adequate and secure.

Correspondence read including a report from the Assessor regarding pending tax appeals.

No Petitions.

Public comments:

Bill Williams talked about conflict of interest and the fact that he feels Osborne has a direct conflict of interest as a partner in an agreement with a wind developer whereas McCallum does not have a conflict of interest but is looking out for her rights as a property owner and the rights of others as a township board member. He stated that there are many issues such as property values, inadequate setbacks, setbacks from homes, not property lines, and the fact that complaints will go unanswered. He thanked McCallum for standing up for the people and not the developers.

OLD BUSINESS:

Larry Murdoch Violation:

Smith stated that Murdoch has started to remove what he had to.

P O Box 1025:

Smith asked McCallum what is going on with P O Box 1025. McCallum responded that as far as she knows, the box was closed by the Township Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

PA 116 approval for Tony Kanyak:

Resolution 2011-18 Approving enrollment of land in Sections 19, 20 and 30 offered by Smith and supported by Fischer. Roll call vote – all ayes.

PA 116 approval for CMAP Corporation:

Resolution 2011-19 approving enrollment of land in Section 33 offered by Smith and supported by Osborne. Roll call vote – all ayes.

Motion by Smith to accept the resignation of Paul Golsch from the Board of Review, seconded by Hartsell. Motion carried – all ayes.

Motion by Smith to appoint Neil Rohner to the Board of Review as an alternate, seconded by Osborne. Roll call vote - all ayes.

Snowplowing bids:

Motion by Osborne to run an ad in the View stating that Lake Township is accepting bids for snowplowing for the 2011-12 season for the Transfer Station and the Township Hall. Detailed specifications available at the Township Hall. Bids to be received by November Board meeting. **Motion seconded by Hartsell.** Motion carried – all ayes.

Public Comments:

Bill Williams asked about the Pledge of Governance and his request that it be replaced on the wall. **Motion by Osborne to obtain a new copy and those who want to sign it may do so, seconded by Hartsell.** Motion carried – Fischer opposed.

Lou Colletta mentioned the Huron County Board of Commissioners' recommendations to the planning commission on changes to the county's wind ordinance and would like to see Lake Township board members attend. He also mentioned a county planning commission meeting on Wednesday, October 19th for site plan review of the McKinley Township overlay and asked whether anyone is interested in attending.

Payment of bills:

Motion by Smith to pay the entire Road Commission bill of \$47,337, seconded by Osborne. Motion carried – all ayes.

Motion by Fischer to pay bills, seconded by Hartsell. Motion carried – all ayes.

Motion by Hartsell to adjourn, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried – all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Valerie McCallum, Clerk