

**LAKE TOWNSHIP, HURON COUNTY**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**Special Meeting- March 5, 2014**

Meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those in attendance: Val McCallum, Dorothy Fischer, Clay Kelterborn, Dale Hartsell, and Claren Russell.

**Agenda:** Review 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Budget, 2014-2015 budget work shop, Waste Management Resolution.

Kelterborn asked to add broken storm door on Township Hall. Russell added sale of used copier.

Kelterborn motioned to accept agenda with additions. Hartsell seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Review of budget through the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter resulted in move from General Fund:

- \$1000 to Deputy Clerk salary
- 200 to Clerk mileage
- 500 to Maintenance In/Out
- 1500 to Twp. Hall Repairs
- 300 to Ofc. Expenses-Publishing
- 100 to Ofc. Expenses-Ins. Bonds
- 500 to ZBA- Publishing
- 5000 to Transfer Station-Compactor Rental, and change the name on the budget to Dumpster
- 300 to Transfer Station-Recycling
- 3200 to Employee Benefits-Pensions
- 1000 to Salary-Extra Ofc.
- 700 to Assessors Supplies
- 500 to Utilities-Detroit Edison

Motion was made to adjust the budget as above by Fischer, seconded by Kelterborn. All in favor, motion passed.

**Waste Management Resolution:** Kelterborn not in favor of landfill expansion due to having sat on a board for a similar expansion needed in the 1990's, that was supposed to last much longer. He feels that there will not be any improvements to trash accumulation, a.k.a. recycling, unless we, the township, stop giving our stamp of approval to continual expansion. Hartsell and Fischer agreed that we need expansion at this time to continue the landfill service. McCallum stated that she believes we need to hear that the Emterra Corporation is working toward more recycling and being environmentally responsible. There are ways to be stewards of the environment, such as recycling tires via tire drives. The general manager, Angelo Caramagno stated, at our Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, that his company does recycle used tires, but it was noted nothing is done here. Also, we now have the Thumb Loop to carry power so why can't we develop methane gas digesters from the landfill to improve the waste recycling? After continued conversation it came time to offer the Resolution for adoption. There was no one on the Board willing to offer the Resolution to approve the expansion of 40 acres to the current Bad Axe landfill. McCallum motioned to send a letter to the Board of Commissioners, Huron County, expressing our reasons for not approving the Resolution. It was agreed that the rejection was not towards the company, Emterra Corporation, but against the continued expansion of a landfill with no future plans to lower the trash flow. Motion was seconded by Kelterborn and all approved that motion.

**Copy Machine-** Russell introduced a bid for the old copy machine. A sealed bid of \$200 was opened. Kelterborn motioned to accept the bid since there were no other offers. Hartsell seconded it. All in favor, motion carried.

**2014-2015 Budget Workshop-** Discussion ensued covering entire new fiscal year budget. Proposed wage additions suggested: Treasurer, Dorothy Fischer submitted a letter of request for a raise of \$1,200.00 annually and the Board agreed to put it into the proposed budget; Building Inspector requested a raise, and the Board agreed to a cost of living raise; Transfer Station attendant to increase from \$80 daily to \$84 daily, and increase hourly salary for repairs to \$8.50/hr. Budget proposal completed and will present it to March 31, 2014 regular Board of Trustees meeting.

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**Front door-** Currently, the front storm door is broken due to wind. This is the fourth time this year that it has been sprung, even with chain attached to catch door before it opens too far. Kelterborn and Tory Geilhart looked at the situation and suggested either a “stop” placed at the maximum intended opening, or a hand rail placed at the same maximum opening. Agreed to look into costs and report at next meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, McCallum motioned to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Hartsell. All in favor. Adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claren Russell, Clerk