

LAKE TOWNSHIP, HURON COUNTY

Regular Board Minutes

November 16, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Those in attendance: Valerie McCallum, Dale Hartsell, Dorothy Fischer, Clay Kelterborn, Claren Russell. Guests: 5

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the agenda: Addition to Correspondence, letter from Burnham and Flower, and a guest, Lt. Weisenbaugh, is here to give an update on the County Sheriff's Department. Moved by Kelterborn, and seconded by Hartsell to accept the agenda with the amendments.

All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of October 19, 2015 Board Minutes: Correction to be noted that road work reported at the last meeting referred to as Grassmere Rd. should have been Etzler Rd. Hartsell motioned to accept minutes with correction, Kelterborn seconded it. All in favor, motion carried.

Lt. Weisenbaugh, Sheriff's Dept: Reviewed civil and criminal complaints within Lake Township, and marine patrols. The Sheriff Dept. is building an airboat with the majority of costs being covered by grants from Homeland Security and will service Huron and Tuscola Counties. It will be stored at the Caseville Fire Department, close to the lake for quick access/response as needed. They also have another marine vehicle stored in the Caseville Harbor, a 1999 26-foot whaler which is used to patrol the lake. Questions by the Board and guests were addressed by Lt. Weisenbaugh.

Reports from Board Officers

Supervisor- The Lake Township hall has suffered an electrical outage that has damaged printers, phones, a calculator, and the fax machine. Claims are being filed with our Insurance, DTE, and the surge protector company.

Treasurer- Nothing to add.

Clerk- Nothing to add.

Trustees- Neither Kelterborn nor Hartsell had anything to add.

Correspondence: CAFPA Minutes, Zoning Administrator Report, Building Inspector Report, and the Planning Commission Minutes are in the packet. Burnham & Flower have sent a letter regarding the adoption of Defined Contribution Plan Resolution, to be discussed under New Business.

A letter from Cliff Bloom, the Township Attorney, was received discussing options for pursuing gun shooting nuisances. It was cautioned by the attorney that the shooting of firearms and hunting are well protected within Michigan Law. One of the options included adopting a resolution to request the Michigan DNR to limit the area allowed for target shooting. This will be discussed further under Old Business. A copy of the LandPlan Zoning Ordinance review will be discussed further under Old Business. Comcast will be switching some channels as of January 7th, 2016. There is a list in our office, and the Comcast representative stated customers will get a copy of these changes in their own billing. Further correspondence from DTE states an MPSC Hearing is to be held on November 18th.

Petitions/Public Comments: Lou Colletta noted that Comcast has a local station, #97, that broadcasts community services and a bulletin of local activities. Another guest wanted to know

what had been done to contain the shooting at the Quarry Road subdivision? Review of several meetings with the Sheriff and DNR and our local commissioner has been included in addressing this issue. There is further action to be considered under Old Business.

Old Business:

Roads- Discussed during correction of the October Minutes.

CAFPA Appointment- Kelly Smith would be interested in representing Lake Township at the open seat of the CAFPA Board. It is a six year term. Kelterborn motioned to appoint Kelly Smith to the CAFPA Board, seconded by Hartsell. All in favor, motion carried.

Target Shooting/MDNR Resolution- The Township attorney has given us two examples of a resolution; one addresses limiting the area of firearms and hunting, and the other one denotes limitation of firearms only. The Board agreed that the noise of target shooting was the issue and did not want to limit hunting during legal times. The resolution would be sent to the MDNR to request a Hearing to address the area for said purpose. Hartsell agreed to call a meeting with the concerned citizens, a representative from the local DNR, and the Supervisor to work out a specific legal description of the boundaries to limit, and will bring it to the December meeting for consideration. Motion made by Kelterborn to table the Resolution to the December Board meeting, seconded by Hartsell. All in favor, motion carried.

Planning Commission's Zoning Ordinance Review- The Planning Commission is inviting the Township Board to the Wednesday, Nov. 18th, meeting at 6 p.m. to listen to a presentation of the work that has been done regarding review of the current Zoning Ordinances. Also, Tory Geilhart, Zoning Administrator and Building Inspector should be there.

New Business:

Burnham & Flower Defined Contribution Plan Resolution- The Pension update is basically the same but needs to be reinstated. Adoption of **Resolution 2015-18** to reinstate current Pension Plan motioned by Kelterborn, seconded by Hartsell. Roll call vote: Hartsell-yes, McCallum-yes, Kelterborn-yes, Fischer-yes, Russell-yes. Resolution adopted.

In regards to the added correspondence from Burnham & Flower, a \$96 dividend check has been received from the Accident Fund.

Electrical Damage of Office Equipment- We have replaced two telephones, a calculator, and the clerk's printer, and are having the Konica Minolta printer/copier repaired. The fax machine needs to be replaced and will need to be updated as the one we had is no longer made. TOS has a toner fax machine for \$225. Other than that, the Konica Minolta printer repair has been quoted at \$635 plus labor, and once the mother board is installed hopefully that will be all it will need. Hartsell motioned to purchase the new fax machine, Fischer seconded it. All in favor, motion carried.

Construction Board of Appeals Appointments- A two year term is due for reappointment for all three members, Mike Molascon, Richard McIlhargie, and Steve Fulgham. All are in agreement to serve through December 2017. Motion made by Hartsell, seconded by Kelterborn to reappoint the same board. All in favor, motion carried.

December Meeting- Russell suggested having a Christmas get-together after the 6:30 p.m. regular December Board Meeting and bringing a dish to pass. Agreed.

Payment of Bills: Russell added to the bills, Tina Main \$40, credit card bill for \$135, and stamps for the taxes at \$1225.00. Moved by Hartsell, seconded by Fischer to pay the bills as amended. All in favor, motion carried.

McCallum asked for suggestions for the upcoming Newsletter. Article topics were offered as shooting reminders, recycling, and introduce Kelly Smith as the new CAFPA representative.

Adjournment: Motion made by Kelterborn, seconded by Hartsell to adjourn at 8:48 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Claren Russell, Clerk