

Lake Township, Huron County
Board of Trustees Meeting-Held at Lake Township Hall
4988 W. Kinde Rd., Caseville, MI.
Approved Minutes- May 16, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. Those in attendance: Valerie McCallum, Clay Kelterborn, Dorothy Fischer, Claren Russell. Dale Hartsell came at 7:45 P.M. Guests: 5

Agenda: Kelterborn added road work/tube replacement on Grassmere Rd. Correspondence added-DNR letter and DTE Open House announcement. Kelterborn motioned to approve agenda with additions. Fischer seconded motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes: Minutes reviewed. Kelterborn motioned to approve April 18th minutes and Special Meeting minutes of May 5th. Fischer seconded motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Reports: Supervisor had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Opened new CD for 1% at Frankenmuth Credit Union this month.

Clerk: The Township has an old voting machine which is obsolete. We will be checking with local schools to see if a government class would be interested in using this machine to hold mock elections as they learn about voting rights. If not, per the Election Source Services, the machine would only be good for scrap metal.

Trustee: Kelterborn stated the Planning Commission has been progressing with Landplan as they review the ordinances, and things are going well.

Correspondence: CAFPA minutes were not received by meeting time. The Zoning Administration report and the Building Inspector report are in. Public Service meetings are posted on the Lake Township website for Consumers Energy, Thumb Electric and DTE. DTE is holding an open house at Bad Axe on Thursday, May 19th. Correspondence received stating the DNR has denied the request to eliminate target shooting in the Rush Lake district after consideration of the public hearing, the site inspection, and review of correspondences from local residents. Unless there are new issues that would warrant opening this case, the DNR will consider this case closed.

Petitions/Public Comments: Gerry Simmons expressed disappointment at the final results of the DNR.

Old Business:

Road Work: Estimates from the Huron Co. Road Commission stated James Dr. at \$17,500, and Old Coach Road at \$4150. The revised estimate for McIlhargie Rd is due to using processed gravel instead of quarry stone which resulted in a lower estimate of \$25,608. James Drive estimate covers 9/10 of a mile which should include Arbutus and Captain Dr. and that will be verified with Matt Ricker, the road foreman. Board agreed to verify estimate of McIlhargie Rd and tabled the quote until done. Kelterborn motioned to approve James Dr. including Arbutus and Captain Drive, and Old Coach Road, seconded by Fischer. All in favor, motion carried.

Replacement of tubing on Grassmere Rd. north of Etzler Rd. is needed. Hartsell motioned to approve tube replacement estimate, seconded by Kelterborn. All in favor, motion carried. Brush cutting with an extended mower arm is available from the Road Commission. Agreed to check with Matt Ricker as to what sections of Lake Township would be appropriate for cutting and where would brush spraying be done (with a cost sharing by the County).

Anti-Nuisance Ordinances: Question has been raised as to who can enforce and issue tickets for violations. Hartsell expressed concern that the Township officials are not qualified to get involved due to safety concerns. It would have to be law enforcement agents. At this time there is no availability to hire Sheriff deputies to patrol Lake Township on part-time basis as done in the past due to shortage of deputies. Still, if a deputy has been sworn in in past years by the Township that deputy would have the ability to enforce our local ordinances. Otherwise, the Sheriff Department can only enforce the State Laws. Hartsell agreed to check with the DNR officer and see if they can write up citizens who are creating nuisances such as noise. Kelterborn motioned to table ordinances until further information about enforcement can be checked. Seconded by Fischer, all in favor, motion carried.

Newsletter: News articles for the Township summer newsletter are needed. Suggestions included 1.) acknowledgement of the emergency workers and volunteers such as firemen, and first responders, 2.) new Transfer Station hours and days,3.) the annual picnic in August, 4.) the presidential election and availability of Absentee Ballots.

Payment of the Bills: Hall cleaning bill added to the bills. Moved by Hartsell and seconded by Kelterborn to pay the bills as amended. Seconded by Kelterborn, all in favor, motion carried.

Public Comments:

Tony Lowe introduced himself as our local district candidate for county commissioner. He stated he would plan to attend our Board Meetings regularly and is interested in our local issues.

Walt Kloc asked if the Township is doing anything about a new township hall. He stated he has been involved in the building of a township hall in his home township and would be glad to share the information he has gleaned if we have the need or are interested.

Gerry Simmons asked if there is going to be brining this year. She was advised that brining is scheduled.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Kelterborn motioned to adjourn and Fischer seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Claren Russell, Clerk