

**LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016, 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Maier at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present, in addition to Supervisor Maier, were Clerk Bater, Treasurer Havens, Trustee McKenzie and Trustee Laier. Also present were several residents and guests.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier to approve the Agenda, amending under new business 1) Release of GIS files to Stantec for Bicycle Pathway Investigations; and 2) Road Closure Resolution for Heart and Sole Race on 5/21/16. Motion Carried

READ AND APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Laier, supported by McKenzie to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2016 regular meeting. Motion Carried

GUEST SPEAKERS: Susan Filipiak spoke on the Dog Park Ordinance. Barbara Ryan Fuller spoke on running for 52nd State Representative. Craig Swenson spoke on the Emergency Communications Ballot Proposal. Lisa Caroline introduced herself from the Chelsea Up-Date.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Approximately 65% of taxes have been collected and 62% of Administration Fees. A letter was received from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission inquiring on the status of Lima Township's enforcement of liquor codes. There was discussion on the fact that the Township had a Constable in the past and if it is feasible to consider again. It was decided to table further discussion until the March regular meeting, and to research on the possibility of appointing a Constable for enforcing such codes.

OLD BUSINESS:

CAFA Cost Recovery Purposed Ordinance Revision. Supervisor Maier explained that the new ordinance clearly shows that hazmat issues fall under State regulations and CAFA cannot recover those costs. Otherwise there is little difference between the new and old ordinances. Trustee McKenzie discussed that there is nothing in the ordinance that exempts Lima Township residents from being charged for services from CAFA. Per Supervisor Maier there is a standing policy that residents do not get charged, however, if there was cause or neglect involved residents could be billed.

Resolution #2016-001 was offered by McKenzie, supported by Laier to adopt Lima Township ordinance 6D - Fire and Emergency Medical Charges as per the draft presented and repeal of Ordinance 6C in its entirety 30 days after publication of Ordinance 6D. Ayes: Laier, Bater, Maier, McKenzie and Havens. Nays: None. Absent or Abstain: None. Resolution declared adopted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dog Park Ordinance – Supervisor Maier explained that the Township should have dog park language in place because if we have no zoning ordinance specific to dog parks than dog parks are still allowed just without any regulations. This is an amendment to zoning special use permits. Planning Commission will also have to approve each special use permit application which will allow for a double layer of security. Question was asked “What is not a Dog Park?” **Motion by Maier, supported Laier to table the Zoning Ordinance - Dog Park Amendment pending revisions of draft and receipt of application until the March Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried**

Amendment to Current Zoning Ordinance – Cemeteries – The word “Private” is added to the ordinance to have standard regulations for cemeteries both public and private. This would also allow the Township to explore the option of letting cemeteries be owned by entities such as churches. The change is necessary because the State of Michigan has confusing language regarding what is a private or a public cemetery and the rules that govern them. **Motion by McKenzie, Supported by Laier to table the Purposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments - Cemetery pending receipt of final draft and application. Motion carried**

Resolution #2016-002 was offered by McKenzie, Supported by Laier to adopt 2016 Poverty Exemption guidelines as presented. Ayes: Laier, Bater, Maier, McKenzie and Havens. Nays: None. Absent or Abstain: None. Resolution declared adopted.

Release of GIS Files– Trustee McKenzie brought to the Board a request from Lyndon Township resident Jeff Hardcastle for authorization to release Lima Township GIS files from Washtenaw County to Stantec Engineering. The purpose is to initiate investigation into a non-motorized bike path with the hope of diverting bike traffic off of Dexter Chelsea Road. The path would initially start from Chelsea along M-52 toward Lyndon Township. **Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier to authorize the Supervisor to sign as Township representative to release Washtenaw County Geographic Information Survey files to Stantec Engineering for investigation into a non-motorized pathway. Motion carried.**

Road Closure Resolution for Heart and Sole Race – This is an annual event and each year a resolution is brought to the Board to authorize an official person who is designated to apply to the County for road closures as per the Driveways, Banners, and Parades Act 200 of 1969.

Resolution #2016-003 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Lima Township designates and agrees that Carla Bernath, of St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea, be the Authorized Official designated in this instance when application is made to the Washtenaw County Road Commission for the Heart and Sole Race on May 21, 2016 for temporary road closures. Ayes: Laier, Bater, Maier, McKenzie and Havens. Nays: None. Absent or Abstain: None. Resolution declared adopted.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion by Laier, supported by McKenzie to pay bills as presented and any others as may be necessary. Motion carried

Invoice Date	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
12/08/15	CORRIGAN OIL CO. NO.II	HEATING FUEL DEL 12/8/15	204.15
12/16/15	THE SUN TIMES	NOTICE OF PUB HEAR 12/28/15	28.00
12/30/15	THE SUN TIMES	TRUSTEES 12/14 MTG	25.00
01/03/16	ELAINE BATER	DIGITAL VOICE RECORDER BD MTGS	78.00
01/06/16	THE SUN TIMES	PLAN COMM DOG PK & VTKJ PROP.	60.00
01/08/16	B S & A SOFTWARE	DOT.NET TRAINING GL & AP	850.00
01/11/16	GOVERNMENTAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	NOMIN.PETIT & AFFID OF ID ELEC.SUPPLIES	42.03
01/12/16	ABRASIVE FINISHING	SNOW REMOVAL RECYC SITE 1/12/16	25.00
01/13/16	CRAIG MAIER	ICE MELTER-MCCALLA'S	19.50
01/13/16	ELAINE BATER	ELEC MAILINGS ABSENTEE APPLICATIONS	294.00
01/14/16	A T & T	OFFICE PHONES 734475224601	195.89
01/15/16	CORRIGAN OIL CO. NO.II	HEATING FUEL DEL 1/15/16	246.72
01/18/16	CARLISLE/WORTMAN	ORD. UPDATES DOG PK	520.00
01/18/16	CARLISLE/WORTMAN	2015 MASTER PLAN UPDATES	61.27
01/18/16	CARLISLE/WORTMAN	DOG REVISIONS, MTG, CALL, REVIEW	625.00
01/20/16	CHELSEA PRINT AND GRAPHICS LLC	1000 #10 ENVEL.FOR ELECT.	94.00
01/20/16	THE SUN TIMES	B.OT. MTG & PUB. ACC. TEST NOTICE	80.00
01/26/16	RAPID SHRED	SHRED SERV. 1/20/16 96LBS TK#250941	45.00
01/28/16	ELAINE BATER	ELECTION & OFF.SUPPLIES STAPLES	57.25
01/31/16	MERS	CUSTOMER 811201 EMP RETIRE PLAN	874.71
02/01/16	B S & A SOFTWARE	SERVICE/SUPPORT CONTRACT 2016/17	1,482.00
02/01/16	ELSE HELLER	WAGES INCLS. \$2.84 POSTAGE REIMB.	767.19
02/01/16	TOM CAPLIS	WAGES-ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	404.11
02/08/16	CHARLOTTE SCHAUER	OFFICE CLEANING	166.23
02/08/16	CHELSEA AREA CONTRUCTION AGENCY	LEASE \$1046.45 INTERNET \$30	1,076.45
02/08/16	CHRIS RENIUS	ASSESSING CONTRACT 1/16/16 - 02/15/16	1,950.00
02/08/16	CRAIG MAIER	WAGES FEB2016	2,216.95
02/08/16	ELAINE BATER	WAGES FEB 2016	2,216.95
02/08/16	ELAINE BATER	ELEC MAILINGS ABSENTEE BALLOTS	110.05
02/08/16	NANETTE HAVENS	WAGES FEB 2016	2,216.95

02/08/16	DONALD LAIER	WAGES FEB 2016	253.05
02/08/16	GREGORY MCKENZIE	WAGES FEB 2016	253.05
02/11/16	KCI	ASSESSMENT NOTICES MAILING SERVICE	752.40
02/17/16	DTE ENERGY	TOWSHIP HALL ELECTRIC	56.44
02/17/16	AT & T	OFFICE PHONES	212.98
			\$ 18,560.32

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORTS: Zoning—Tom Caplis absent

CACA—Hope to approve budget at next meeting. Additional funds have been authorized to continue to scan old documents and reduce paper. Eventually, it is possible that all papers could be scanned back to the inception of CACA. The parking lot site plan extension is still pending. Greg McKenzie

Capital Improvements— Some members of committee have suggested moving the Hall building back to bring it in compliance and getting cost figures for that. Ed GreenLeaf

Cemetery— Cemeteries are still all there. Ed GreenLeaf

Chelsea District Library—New Civil War Exhibit with Michigan ties is up until April 1st. Elizabeth Sensoli

Lima Township Planning Commission/WWRA Job for Manager has finally been posted on web site. Planning Commission drainage ordinance is being discussed and sub-committee was formed. Reddeman Farm special use permit was discussed extensively. Should know by next month if there will be a Clean-up Day in May. Still no glass being accepted. Nanette Havens

WAVE—Arlene Bareis – Not present

Clerk’s Report-- Going to Election training in Lansing and the election workers are also training and preparing for the upcoming primary election. Absentee ballots are coming in. Elaine Bater

Supervisor’s Report and CAFA—Supervisor Maier had a meeting with Reddeman Farms regarding the revised special use permit to bring them into compliance with the Township requirements. Went to Road Commission meeting – provided a summary of roads that were scheduled to receive surface materials. August Ballot will have a Millage for road work in Washtenaw County instead of using PA act 283 for a 0.5 mil. Flyer, included in packet, of Michigan’s New Road Funding Package. DTE will be building a new sub-station and will be doing extensive tree trimming in Township. Craig Maier

Motion by Laier, supported by Havens to adjourn at 8:46 pm. Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Bater, Lima Township Clerk