

**LIMA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 9, 2016, 7:00 P.M.**

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

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion by Maier, supported by Laier to approve the Agenda, amending under New Business the addition of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissions voting down the Road Millage Ballot Proposal to go to the voters in August. Motion carried

MINUTES APPROVAL: Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier to approve minutes of the regular meeting of April 11, 2016 as submitted. Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT: Supervisor Maier spoke on the passing of Pat Spade, and expressed the condolences of the Township Board. Both Pat and her husband, Vince had been very involved in the township for many years.

TREASURER’S REPORT: As submitted

TREASURER’S REPORT	April 30, 2016
Beginning Balance CSB	\$ 326,283.50
Deposits	17,504.91
Transfer to CSB MM	(150,000.00)
March 2016 Bills Paid	(16,238.47)
CSB Checking Balance 4/30/16	177,549.94
Non-Maturing CD's	672,495.38
Total CSB Cking & CD's	850,045.32
CSB Money Market	213,332.91
CSB Money Market March Int. (.20%)	43.17
Transfer from General Fund	150,000.00
Total CSB Money Market	363,376.08
Flagstar/Thornton Farms	110,712.56
Thornton Farms March Int.(.25%)	22.69
	110,735.25
Funds Available	1,213,421.40
Total Funds	\$ 1,324,156.65

Treasurer Havens included the Washtenaw County 2015 Tax Year Settlement Sheet showing that approximately .04% of the Township property taxes were sent to the County for collection.

OLD BUSINESS:

2015-16 Budget Adjustments: Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier to approve the budget adjustments - dated 5/9/2016 as provided, in the amount of \$19,230.00. Motion carried.

Washtenaw County Road Commission – 2016 Jointly Funded Road Projects: Supervisor Maier gave an overview of the funding proposed for the various road projects as was requested at the last meeting. The proposed projects, as presented, would stay within .07 cents of the \$170,000 that the Township has budgeted for Road Maintenance in fiscal year 2016/17 while still making the final payment of \$19,800 for the McKinley Road Bridge. The proposal would also use the matching funds that the County allows Lima Township. All originally proposed road projects would still be done with one adjustment to the Jerusalem Road project to decrease the cost. There was still a concern about the small amount of the budget being used for the Township-wide gravel project.

There was more discussion on the Wylie Road project, but Supervisor Maier questioned the WCRC estimate of \$112,000 because the DEQ had not given their requirements for reconstruction. This coming year thorough and official inspections

are scheduled by the WCRC to keep the project moving forward. By the time these inspections are complete DEQ may have their conditions outlined also. This will give a much better idea of a true cost of the project.

Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier that the Board authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the 2016 Lima Township Second Agreement in the amount of \$141, 444.57 utilizing all Conventional and Drainage Matching Funds which encompass seven specific road projects. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority – Special Assessment Fee for New Dwelling Units: The five-year assessment has expired and must be renewed if the Township wants to continue to collect recycling fees from new dwelling residents. **Resolution #2016-009 was offered by Maier, supported by Laier to continue the collecting of recycling fees from new dwellings residents in Lima Township.**

WHEREAS, Lima Township is a participating municipality of the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority,

WHEREAS, all residential dwelling units in Lima Township have a special assessment at the rate of \$26.00 per year for recycling services for the years 2016-2021, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that all new dwelling units in Lima Township shall be charged for recycling at the rate of \$26.00 per year as follows:

Calendar year 2016 & 2017	\$130.00
Calendar year 2018	\$104.00
Calendar year 2019	\$ 78.00
Calendar year 2020	\$ 52.00
Calendar year 2021	\$ 26.00

Roll call vote: Ayes: Laier, Bater, Maier, McKenzie, Havens Nays: None Absent: None
The Supervisor declared resolution adopted.

Drain Tile Systems Ordinance – Schedule Public Hearing: Motion by McKenzie, supported by Laier to schedule a public hearing and post notices as required for the proposed Drain Tile Systems Preservation Ordinance #32 at 6:45 pm on 6/13/16. Motion Carried.

Lima Township Website: Washtenaw County has notified vendors that they are looking to contract out the hosting of websites or to get out of the hosting of websites totally. It is unclear when this will happen. The Township Board should start to consider the idea of having a website built, advantages of having a more user friendly system and the yearly cost to maintain one. **Motion by Bater, supported by Maier to table further action on the Township website until more is known on when the County plans to discontinue support. Motion Carried**

Discussion on the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners voting down a resolution to place a four-year road & non-motorized path millage on the August 2nd ballot: Supervisor Maier was very disappointed that the road millage did not make it on the ballot for the State Primary Election in August. Maier stated that there seemed to be a lot of excitement about the proposed millage and to have the Board of Commissioners voted down the resolution without comment or explanation seemed unjustified. He suggested a letter could be drafted by the Township if it was possible to add a proposal to the November ballot. No action was taken.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Motion by Laier, supported by McKenzie to pay bills as presented in the amount of \$23,089.96 and any others as may be necessary. Motion carried.

		MAY, 2016 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	
ARLYS SPINK	ELEC 5/3/16 WAGES	\$	186.00
A T & T	APRIL OFFICE PHONE	\$	194.44
B S & A SOFTWARE	ASSESSING SYS-ANNU SERV/SUPP PER CONT 5/2016-5/2017	\$	802.00
BETTY ROBBINS	CO-CH ELEC 5/3/16 WAGES, SETUP	\$	304.50
BETTY STOFFER	ELEC 5/3/16 WAGES	\$	198.00
CARLISLE/WORTMAN	REDDEMAN FARM SUP	\$	517.50
CARLISLE/WORTMAN	DRAIN TILE ORDINANCE	\$	195.00
CARLISLE/WORTMAN	DTE SUBSTATION	\$	365.00
CARLISLE/WORTMAN	GENERAL CONSULTATION	\$	312.50
CHARLOTTE SCHAUER	MAY OFFICE CLEANING & SUPPLIES REIMB.	\$	166.23
CHELSEA AREA CONSTRUCTION AGENCY	APR/MAY LEASE \$1046.45 INTERNET \$30	\$	2,152.90
CHRIS RENIUS	ASSESSING CONT.04/16/16 - 05/15/16	\$	1,950.00

CITY OF CHELSEA	LANDFILL MAINT. REMEDIATION	\$ 797.86
CLEMENTS CEMETERY	MOWING MAINTENANCE	\$ 500.00
CRAIG MAIER	SUPERVISOR WAGES MAY 2016	\$ 2,258.31
CRAIG MAIER	REIMB ZBA WORKSHOP ADAMS/LAIER/COLTRE	\$ 308.50
DAVID SNYDER	2 MOWINGS PORTER CEMETERY	\$ 200.00
DONALD LAIER	TRUSTEE WAGES & ZBA APR 2016	\$ 339.23
DTE ENERGY	251216900018 ELEC - HALL	\$ 43.77
ELAINE BATER	MAY 3RD ELECTION POSTAGE	\$ 97.32
ELAINE BATER	CLERK WAGES MAY 2016	\$ 2,258.31
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	SERV.CONT VOTING TAB. 7/1/16 - 6/30/17	\$ 154.60
ELSE HELLER	ELEC 5/3/2016 WAGES	\$ 198.00
ELSE HELLER	SECRETARY APR WAGES \$10.42 POST. REIMB.	\$ 973.12
EQUALIZATION & PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	SCHOOL DISTRICT MAP	\$ 15.00
EQUALIZATION & PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	VACANT LAND SALES MAP, TBL MAP,ECF MAP	\$ 65.00
GREGORY MCKENZIE	TRUSTEE WAGES MAY 2016	\$ 258.12
HASSELBRING CLARK	LAG834 COPIER ANNUAL MAINTENANCE	\$ 705.36
JANET ADAMS	ELEC 5/3/16 WAGES	\$ 198.00
MARY ANN WESNER	CO-CH ELEC 5/3/16 WAGES, TESTING, SETUP	\$ 364.50
MERS	APR EMPLEE SHARE	\$ 436.66
MERS	APR EMPLER SHARE	\$ 436.66
MICHAEL J. KEHOE, P.C.	VAQUERA ZONING VIOL.6551.010	\$ 350.00
MICHAEL J. KEHOE, P.C.	REDDEMAN FARMS SUP 6551.009	\$ 175.00
MIDWESTERN CONSULTING LLC	CALUS PRIVATE ROAD REVEIW	\$ 189.00
MIDWESTERN CONSULTING LLC	DTE ENERGY-DEXTER CHELSEA SUBSTATION	\$ 630.00
NANETTE HAVENS	TREASURER WAGES MAY 2016	\$ 2,258.31
NEIL ADAMS	ZBA CHAIR APR, 2016	\$ 117.30
RAPID SHRED	SHRED SERV. 4/25/16 TKT261074	\$ 45.00
TANYA STRONG	ELEC 5/3/16 WAGES	\$ 198.00
TANYA STRONG	DEPUTY CLERK WAGES APR 2016	\$ 189.49
THE SUN TIMES	ZBA PUB NOT 4/13, BD 3/14 MINUTES	\$ 275.00
THE SUN TIMES	ELECTION PUB. ACC. TEST	\$ 14.00
TOM CAPLIS	MAR WAGES-ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	\$ 616.41
WILLIAM COLTRE	ZBA APR 2016	\$ 80.06
	Total	\$ 23,089.96

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Rural Emergency Responders Initiative: These Grant opportunities were forwarded to the Fire Department since the Township does not qualify for these funds.
- Michigan Rail Road Association: Phone Application tells first responders everything that a freight train is carrying.

REPORTS:

Zoning Report for April, 2016: Tom Caplis

- 10 Compliance Permits (6 new homes, 3 decks, 1 pole barn)
- 3 Violation Enforcements (blight and parking violations)

CACA: Greg McKenzie

- A tentative agreement was made with WAVE to lease the lower level and the request for bids for the renovation of that area has been authorized.
- Also CACA has authorized the construction documents for the parking lot and landscaping. After obtaining a permit CACA will be going out to bid for parking lot material to see what the costs are. Work should be bid in early June and the final work hopefully done in the fall.
- Official question for Tax Assessor regarding the potential tax implications of Rural Reach, a for-profit entity leasing storage space (222 square feet in basement) and having equipment (1 small tower in parking lot with 2 dishes on it) for CACA, a non-profit entity. Will it affect the tax status; a percentage of building or all or none? Taxable Value?

Capital Improvements: Ed GreenLeaf

- There has not been any recent meetings, however committee members have been looking into the feasibility of some of the suggestions. The next meeting is scheduled for May 16th at 8 a.m.

Cemeteries: Ed GreenLeaf

- We are working with property owners to get bids to repair fences.

Chelsea District Library: Elizabeth Sensoli - Absent

Lima Township Planning Commission: Nanette Havens

- Approval was given to the special use permit for Vargo Golf with the provision that they agree to the road maintenance agreement. It also included the driving range which was originally going to be a house.

WWRA: Nanette Havens

- Tonnages are up and expenses are down – a nice change.
- No Clean-up Day this year mainly due to a repair that is needed at the Transfer Station but cannot be done until fall. Saline and Ypsilanti will have clean-up days but dates have not been set.

WAVE: Arlene Bareis

- 21,158 total rides for fiscal year, riders are down some
- WAVE stops at Meijer Store instead of Wagner Road
- AATA is moving it's stop to Baker Road which is moving into WAVE area
- Lease was signed for CACA Office space
- Audit was received with no problems

Clerk's Report: Elaine Bater

- The May 3rd election went well with 551 voters.
- At the August 2nd election the Township will have the dual e-poll books in force which will require IT support.

Supervisor's Reports: Craig Maier

- CAFA will have a meeting on May 17th at 9 a.m. at the Lima Township Hall

PUBLIC COMMENT: William Coltre commended CACA on moving forward to complete the parking lot project. He also commented on his concern with the Wylie Road Bridge Project and what Washtenaw County Road Commission will do with it.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Laier, supported by Havens to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Bater, Lima Township Clerk