

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Spring Lake Township Board of Trustees
July 14, 2014**

A meeting of the Spring Lake Township Board of Trustees was held at the Spring Lake Township Hall at 106 S. Buchanan, Spring Lake, MI 49456.

6:00pm Work session: Master Plan Update

1. Call to Order/Roll Call of the Board:

Supervisor Nash called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Present: John Nash, Carolyn Boersma, Jim Koster, Rick Homan, Ron Lindquist, Larry Mierle, Rachel Terpstra

Absent: None

Participants: Gordon Gallagher, Spring Lake Township Manager; Ron Bultje, Spring Lake Township Attorney

2. Invocation and Pledge:

Supervisor Nash opened the meeting with a spiritual reading and the pledge of allegiance.

3. Public Comment:

Public comment was opened at 7:02pm and closed at 7:03pm. No comments were offered at this time.

4. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Lindquist, support by Homan to approve the agenda as written. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion by Mierle, support by Lindquist to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- a. Approve June 9, 2014 Regular and Closed Session Minutes
- b. Approve payment of all fund bills
- c. Receive June 2014 Financials

6. PPT Resolution

Many communities are taking a position in support of Proposal 1 on the August Ballot. Proposal 1 is the proposal that will eliminate personal property tax on small business and manufacturing. **Motion** by Mierle, support by Lindquist to approve the Resolution of Support for Proposal 1. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

7. North Shore Estates Road Bid

The Township received bids for the reconstruction of North Shore Estates Road project. **Motion** by Terpstra, support by Homan to approve the bid from Jackson Merkey in the amount of \$796,727.50. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Terpstra, support by Homan to approve change order #1 which will remove \$120,000 from the project quantities. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

Related Project: **Motion** by Lindquist, support by Terpstra to approve the purchase of 10 fire hydrants from East Jordon at a cost of \$15,870.00. [RC] The motion carried unanimously. **Motion** by Homan, support by Terpstra to approve the quote from Tiles Excavating to replace the hydrants on North Shore Estates Road for \$18,000.00. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

8. Harbor Transit Millage Resolution

Harbor Transit is requesting that the voters in Spring Lake Township have an opportunity to consider transit service. They have prepared ballot language and are asking for the resolution to be passed by the Township Board. This resolution is not an endorsement of the proposal, rather it is an approval to place the issue on the November 4th election ballot. If passed the voters would pay up to 0.7 mills. **Motion** by Homan, support by Terpstra to approve the Resolution of ballot language to be placed on the November 4 ballot. [RC] With Boersma and Mierle as the dissenting votes, the motion carried.

9. Hilaski Rezoning Request

The SLT Planning Commission has recommended approval of application made by Mr. Terri Hilaski to rezone his parcel near the northwest corner of 148th Avenue and State Rd from Rural Residential to the R-1 Low Density Residential. **Motion** by Lindquist, support by Terpstra to approve the request as recommended and to adopt and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Zoning Map Amendment Ordinance. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

10. Board Reports

A time for information sharing was given to various Board members.

11. Consideration of Property Donation

Mr. Ott and Mr. Doss have offered to donate a 5 acre piece of property to the Township. The parcel is valued at \$130,000 by the Township assessor. A Phase I Environmental Review has been completed and found “No evidence of recognized environmental conditions”. **Motion** by Lindquist, support by Mierle to accept the donation and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the appropriate paperwork. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

12. Settlement Agreement

Motion by Lindquist, support by Homan to approve the settlement agreement as presented. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

13. Reports

A time for information sharing was given to the Supervisor and Manager.

14. Closed Session to consider possible purchase of real property.

Motion by Boersma, support by Homan to go into closed session at 7:52pm to consider the purchase of real property. [RC] The motion carried unanimously.

The Board came out of closed session at 8:56pm.

15. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Carolyn Boersma, CMC
Spring Lake Township Clerk