

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WHITE LAKE

Approved Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

September 28, 2017

Supervisor Kowall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Lilley called the roll:

Present: Rik Kowall, Supervisor
Terry Lilley, Clerk
Mike Roman, Treasurer
Mike Powell, Trustee
Scott Ruggles, Trustee
Liz Smith, Trustee
Andrea Voorheis, Trustee

Also Present: Lisa Hamameh, Attorney
Amy Bertin, Recording Secretary

Supervisor Kowall. Many of you tonight are here because you want to know what is happening with the voter approved library bond proposition. We are working through the necessary steps to continue moving forward. Today at 2:30 the township and library representatives met with bond counsel. The Township could not have moved forward any sooner without this meeting because it did not have the necessary paperwork at the time from the library until September 14th to process. Upon that paperwork being submitted to the Township, it was immediately forwarded to the bond attorney. And upon their reply an appointment was promptly made and a meeting was promptly set up. This process will take time and we appreciate your patience and understanding with the process. We'd like to move forward with tonight's planned Agenda for the Board of Trustees meeting. Your comments are welcome. We'd like to hear what you have to say. We put clipboards out so we could gather a list for all of those who would like to speak.

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Powell to approve the Agenda as presented. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Camille Olley. She voted for the library. She was a little bit upset yesterday when she was at the Library Board meeting because they were talking about being over budget. Her background is a financial analyst. Typically, you do a feasibility study to find out what things are going to cost so you have an idea of what the expenses will be for at least five years. It didn't seem like that had been done. The Board did talk about ways to cut the current plan so that they would be within budget. Had she known what the plans were for the library and the things that were going into it that aren't necessarily part of a library she probably would not

have voted for it. She hopes the Township Board continues to be fiscally responsible to the people of White Lake and that the Library Board is as well.

Patty Leonard. She came here to support the library. The bond has passed. It was a certified election result and it should be honored as it was intended, a free standing library. We do need a new civic center but the library needs to come first, the rest will follow. Issue the bonds. It is way overdue.

Patricia Funni. She is wondering why did the Board of Trustees wait until well after the architects and everybody else had been hired to suggest the plans for a civic center.

Thomas Johnson. He's heard many different misstatements. Everyone has copies of the proposal as it was put on the ballot. It approved \$8.6 million. Nothing was said about square footage of the library. It said construction, furnishing and equipment. It was a very close election. He would like to see a new library but he would like to see it done in a way that the township and people can utilize it.

Roger Herrington. He was prepared to make a very angry statement in support of an independent library. With what he heard here tonight, it sounds as though the library and the Board will get together and issue the bond for the library. He is hopeful the issues will be resolved so it can be built on its site. A campus site would be the best future for a growing township. If the matter of the library site can be resolved, there are many of us who will support a future campus with new buildings to serve White Lake.

C.J. Bratta. The Township has grown since he's lived here. We are at a point now where we are at capacity both at the library and town hall. Why can't we all come together and work together to save the taxpayer's money and utilize a combined building? We need a cost estimate from the library to see if they can support their 30,000 sq. ft. building. There are already three millages for the library, can we afford to go back to the voters for more money if they can't afford to operate it? We need to continue to work together and work it out for the good of the community.

Jeff Long. He is encouraged by the opening statement and would encourage the Township Board to continue moving forward with approving the sale of bonds for a new library. At the budget meeting there was a concern that the library had not completed their due diligence to move forward with the bond sales. He believes that any studies, planning or other preconstruction expenditures need to be done with bond dollars and not from the library's general funds. The general fund dollars are for day to day operations. It would be fiscally irresponsible of the Library Board to use their general fund moneys to do any construction related spending when they have voter approved bonds waiting to be sold. This is not to say he is not in favor of a new township civic center. It is his belief that the civic center is a separate issue that needs to be proposed and approved with the support of the community just

as the library has been.

Jim Funni. Did you say in your opening statement that the bonds were already started in process? He was informed the process was under way. The only thing to hold it up would be the process itself.

Tom Gardner. He and his wife are retired and, therefore, that means a fixed income. We chose to raise our property taxes in support of a new library. If we are going to also get a new civic center, let's put that on the ballot so we can vote on that, too.

Glenn Rossow, Library Board President. It is his understanding that today's meeting was productive. You just said only the process itself will slow this down and stop it. Are we going to have a vote at some point in time that we can then go back to that says you have approved the bonds? Out of all of the trustees, contrary to what he's just heard, there was one question regarding our ability to fund ourselves going forward and that was delivered last meeting. That question was asked and answered with no other follow up questions by any other trustee. We have answered all questions, except for the long list which was brought up at today's 2:30 meeting. Come up with milestones and what the timeline is so the public has transparency of what the expectations are. Let's shelve the past, move forward, get it done and figure out how to do it.

Margaret Ostrowski. She is speaking for herself alone as a citizen and voter, not for Mr. Ostrowski who is director of the library. She voted for a freestanding library, not a community center. If our votes don't mean anything to this Board, the democratic process is being impeded. Further growth is certain to occur and they need a library. Let's have some vision and make it the jewel of the White Lake Township instead of Kroger being the largest building of this area. Let's demonstrate that our citizens are educated and have a library that spearheads this growth of knowledge of the community. She is disappointed in the performance of the Township Board. When the vote comes up for next election, she knows who she will and will not be voting for. Remember, you do not serve yourselves, you serve the residents.

Trisha Kohler. This past June she retired as a teacher with Huron Valley Schools. What she is feeling most angry, frustrated and confused about with this process is that the vote to build a library was passed last August and yet we're still having to fight to get this done. If she was still teaching, how would she explain the voters voted and yet the bonds aren't being released? How or why is that happening?

Leroy Powers. He respects everybody's views but the fact is the citizens of White Lake have to pay for it. Some can pay for it and some can't. Who is going to pay their taxes when the time comes and they get thrown out of their house because of the people who were so selfish they think a library is the number one cause that White Lake needs. He doesn't think they need it. They should shelve the whole library business.

Beverly Orndorf. She is a retired teacher. She voted for the library because we need to be able to serve all members of this community with programs and we need to house meetings. We as citizens have said we want this done. There will eventually be a group of buildings of which the library will be first. She knows that the Library Board came to the Township Board and asked them about joining them before they ever got started on the process.

Diane Barkley. She is a library supporter. Her question is concerning the study. Why now? This should have been done back when the library first said they needed a new building. Why wait until these bonds should be issued and now decide to do a three month study? The vision doesn't just happen overnight because you got a piece of property. The vision is what you see in the community. If you approach the voters again with a proposal for a civic center, she isn't sure how many will support it because how can they believe in the process based on how this is going now. The library is doing their due diligence and investigating how they can cut costs to provide the 30,000 sq. ft. building the voters voted for.

Susan Vanderwill. She voted for the library. She is excited about it. She personally has never heard the Board she voted for ever tell her the library wasn't going to happen. She's spoken with many of the Board members individually over the past several weeks. She has been told again and again they just want to do what is fiscally right. She voted for this Library Board and the Township Board to do what is best for her family today and in the future. Today she would like to express her appreciation to the library for fighting for what they believe in but also for the Township Board who has remained silent though a lot of criticism by the community. She has faith the Township Board will do what's right for her dollar and all of yours.

Christina Marble. She supports the library. She would request they have a Town Hall meeting concerning the civic center. The CIP is a wish list but on it for 2018 is a \$20 million civic center. She does not want her library in the basement of a civic center. The library bond passed. We aren't going to do a revote. Please let's move forward on the library and then the civic center.

Doug Hankes. He recently attended a budget meeting wherein he had an opportunity to speak to the Township Board members. The bonds have not been issued because there is a legal process that has to be gone through. The bonds have been held up for the proper documentation to be done. Mr. Lilley and Mr. Roman explained they were not concerned so much about if the library became part of the complex. They won't make the library wait until the civic center is approved. The library is independent and got the vote but we have to know it is a solid deal. There are things to still be worked out. Nobody up here is holding up the library.

Deyanne Haas. Today Channel 7 Action News called her because she contacted them

regarding the issues between the Township and the Library Board. She is so happy they came to speak to the Township and the Library and is hoping the issue gets resolved and the Board releases the bond money. She doesn't understand why they can't move forward. Release the bonds.

Lisa Janeczek. She voted for the library and she was surprised when it was indicated that there were some roadblocks. She would request and encourage that the bonds be released consistent with the ballot proposal. She is not opposed to a community center in the future but when that time arrives those plans and proposals should be disseminated to the public who will be given an opportunity to vote on it.

Laveda Powers. She has lived in White Lake Township for 51 yrs. and paid taxes. We've got to start taking property rights under consideration. It looks as though the people who were passing out the petitions worked until they got their 51% and then quit so you don't get a fair representation of how many people are opposed to the issue. You keep putting this on the property owners. Is it due process and equality under the law when part of the people are asked and when they get to a certain point they don't ask anybody else? We don't really want the library because we don't use it.

Marilyn Fessler. This Board was asked by the library to join them in building and they were told no so the library went ahead by themselves. She cannot find one other municipality that has held back bonds. Whatever your intentions were, this has caused a distrust in this community. When someone votes, whether you like it or not, it is about the integrity of the vote and that is why so many people are upset. What has happened has made us feel unsure every time we're going to vote. The comments about the library being put in the basement or doing something else was offensive to the people who worked hard to pass something they believed in. The library hasn't applied for a bond before. They needed advice from the Township to say what they needed or what they should do. If that was done, they could have gotten what you needed a long time ago. If you don't move this along quickly the citizens will never trust you again.

Milissa Schmantowsky. She has voted in every election since she was 18 because it is important to participate in a democracy. What does she tell those who are apathetic or who maintain that voting doesn't matter because politicians do what they want anyway or who question the entire process? You are causing the community to distrust this Board's actions. You say withholding the bonds is all about a fiduciary responsibility and then I read that you spent \$1.6 million on a piece of property and \$45,000 on a consultant when you don't know whether the community will support you. You should separate the two issues and stop spending money on your civic center plans until you do as the library did and put the issue on the ballot for the taxpayers to decide if that is something they are interested in paying for.

Theresa Johns. She is confused as to why people don't understand the bond process. You continually badger and bash this Board and they are not the ones responsible to do the due diligence for the library. Do you realize this Board cannot release the money? Do you realize they cannot release the bonds? The Township does not have to hold the hand of the library for their bonds. It is the point of the library getting up and doing what they need to do to get their bonds.

Trustee Powell. He would like to share his personal opinion and understanding of the issues. He has been discouraged over the lack of communication between the two Boards. The voters approved a bond sale and the Library Board took that as a mandate for the Township Board to immediately sell \$8.6 million worth of bonds. The Township needs a new library. Every Board member is on record agreeing to that but we also need a new police, fire station, township hall, community and senior center. The truth about this process has been misrepresented and twisted to the point that most residents are blaming the Township Board that the Library Board has not been given their check. First, it is not the Library Board's money, it is the resident's money and we have a fiscal responsibility to make sure it is being spent properly. The Library Board does not have the permission or the legal ability to sell bonds. While they autonomous to run a library, they are not autonomous to spend the Township's money.

The facts are that there are over 30,000 residents in the Township, 24,000 of which are registered voters. 2,003 voted for the library bonds, 2,000 voted against leaving 20,000 people that did not vote. The approval of the bond did not mandate the sale of \$8.6 million. There was no mention of the size of the building or where it would be built. It only gave authority to the Township Board to sell up to \$8.6 million. This equates to every homeowner in the Township to be taxed \$57.64 for every \$100 of assessed valuation on their property and that is to go for 20 years. So the decision of this Board in selling those bonds is going to mandate that every homeowner in this township will be paying for that library for 20 years.

Now, the reason the Township Board is even involved is that the Library Board cannot sell bonds. The Township Board is responsible to all 30,000 residents to carefully evaluate what we bind the residents to in paying for those bonds. If the economy fails like it did in the past, the Library Board will have nothing to say about that and they won't care. This Board here, not the Library Board, is responsible to make those payments. It is very wise for this Board to try to work with the library to provide the residents with the best new library building possible at the lowest price possible. One possible savings would be to share one site and possibly one building.

The Township has been saving for years and has some monies available to help the costs of the Library Board if they are willing to accept it. We have funds available to help pay for additional rooms, parking spots, utilities, and foundations. It is unfair and wrong to blame this

Township Board for the library being short of operating funds. They decided to deviate from their budget and spend their operating funds to purchase property and hire a building consultant prior to having the money.

Every development in every community must receive a site plan approval. The Zoning Ordinance must be followed. This requires a detailed review by the Planning Commission, township engineers, planners, the Fire and Police Dept., the Oakland Co. Road Commission, the MDEQ and WRC. All of their approvals must be received before the site plan can be approved for construction. Not one approval has been received for the library. His experience is this process takes between four and 12 months to complete.

I am asking those of you who care to please call or write the Township Board, me personally, or the Library Board to express your comments and concerns. I ask, if someone could show a savings of \$1 to \$2 million in building a new library, reducing the money to be borrowed or put into library operational programming, would the Library Board be willing to save that money?

Clerk Lilley. In White Lake Township we do have a process. Those processes have kept our nose clean for the last 20 years. This Township has been very financially responsible, not only for their normal budgets but as well as putting money away for future Township projects.

One of the questions asked was why did the Board pass the bond issue. On his behalf, he voted for the library because he felt the Township needs a library but also a police, fire, township hall, and senior center. There is an appropriate way of submitting information to the Township. Usually, if people want to file something with the Township, the appropriate way is to come to the Clerk's Office who will stamp the information and it will be disseminated.

The Library Board is autonomous. They've been given authority to operate their budget. We have our own budget. He was taken aback at one of the recent Library Board meetings where it was indicated that they were going to refuse to repay the Township for salaries and benefits paid on behalf of the library.

There is a site plan approval process. There has not yet been one approval gotten by the library. It is appropriate the Township require those permits be applied for and the fees be paid. If the library intends on starting construction this spring, he will require that those permits be applied for and granted, then we'll know what the costs will be. The question was raised to each Board member individually on whether they would prefer a standalone library or campus setting. For himself, the plan has always been to purchase a sufficient amount of property for a campus concept so people would not have to walk across a parking lot to gain entrance to the township hall, the library or the senior center. It's been since the '90s the Township has been negotiating for the property on Elizabeth Lake Road. It was just shortly after the library purchased their property that we were finally able to come to some negotiation

acceptable to the Township. This just ironically happened in a very short period of time.

Once our criteria is met, the final site plan has been fully approved, all the permits have been applied for and bids secured, he will be ready to move ahead. With the meeting today, hopefully an outline will be formulated in the future to move the bonds forward.

Trustee Voorheis. She is library card 2907-3001-00648. She is a mini golf supporter and Friends of The Library member. Please don't say she is not a supporter of the library. We as the Township have to honor the voter's decision, which will happen. As a Board member we also have to make hard decisions that may involve conflict and controversy. She never said to anyone that the library would not happen. As a Township representative, we need to do what is in the best interest of all of the residents. We have recently received some of the information from the library to continue with the bond process which will help get it approved. Whenever you need to get a loan from a financial institution, you don't just walk in and say, we have voted, we want our money. You have to go through the mandated process. We the Township Board and the library can work together to do what is in the best interest for all the residents of White Lake.

Trustee Smith. Her feelings on this issue have never wavered or changed. She is for the integrity of the vote and the election process. She is for upholding the vote of the people. The intent of the vote was to build a library. It is unfortunate that in the past the two Boards have not had a lot of communication. It is getting better. Her role as library liaison is a bit different than other board members who are liaison members of planning and zoning. They are voting members of those board and she is not. Her job is to try to facilitate communication the best she can. The two Boards have met throughout this process.

It is her understanding that the Library Board is in favor of saving money and sharing costs when able in this project. There is some confusion within the community regarding the consulting process. It is not going to tell us we should have one building or two or will save money with one building or two. This process is to explore what is best for White Lake as a community. Hopefully, everyone has taken the survey. This is an exciting opportunity and a once in a lifetime chance to build a civic center.

Also, she is glad to hear the process has started for the bonds. It was not until she amended the Agenda in August and our Board voted that the process began. She is not for any stall tactics and hopefully this does proceed as smoothly as possible. She is also for saving money where possible. She is in favor of issuing the bonds because she believes in representing the people and this is what they voted for.

Treasurer Roman. He, as township Treasurer, and Supervisor Kowall think economically. They thought it was a great idea to have a combined building but it was just a proposal. The library thought we were trying to shove it down their throats. The library is a separate entity

and has autonomy. The library has clearly rejected that proposal. If they want a separate building, he is fine with it. We need to move forward from here. He does caution the library that 8.6 million is their top dollar. Things always cost more than you think. Look into all the township ordinances. There are many fees and rules to follow.

The meeting today between the Clerk, Supervisor, himself and the bonding professionals probably should have taken place a few months ago. He came out of the meeting and asked whether all could work together knowing what the constituents want and the answer was yes. One thing about the process, the library has to make a decision as to which parcel they are going to build on. If they want to change their mind they need to do it now.

It has been mentioned the bonds need to be issued already. Bonds are sold. Issue is not the right term. You have to find a bidder to buy the bonds. In order for that to happen, a package has to be assembled. These are tax exempt bonds which make them more appealing to buyers but requires a much more complicated package than a non-tax exempt bond issues. A prospectus has to be put together and then the bonds are bid. Before that happens, a bond resolution will be prepared along with an agreement that will list the responsibilities of both the library and the township. That is probably four to six weeks out.

The library's target date for putting a shovel in the ground is March of 2018. If the \$8.6 million could be gotten today, we would have to pay interest from now until March at the rate of about \$30,000 a month. Does it make sense to anyone to get the money now when we're not going to start digging until March? We need to make sure the library has cash flow to get them through today until the bond proceeds do come in. March is probably the reasonable expectation as far as the bonds being sold and the money coming in. This timeline is not set in stone as we are letting the professionals work together.

The money, \$1.6 million to pay for the land purchased by the Township came from the Improvement Revolving Fund. Approximately \$400,000 were proceeds from the sale of the Porter Road farm and approximately another \$850,000 from the sale of the property across the street from Meijer.

Trustee Ruggles. Over the summer he spent some time at the library to teach a class. The last few years he has provided pumpkins for the Great Pumpkin Hunt at Indian Springs. He enjoys donating his time whenever possible to the library. He is in favor of a new library. We are not holding the bonds hostage. We are happy to release them when we get the information and they follow through with what is necessary. He as well as the other trustees are tasked with making the best choice possible for the residents. He and the other Board members will do what is right. He looks forward to the new library building.

Supervisor Kowall. White Lake Township is in an enviable position. He was surprised to find

out that the Library and Township Boards had never previously met. The only intent of the Township Board is to make sure this is a viable and sustainable project. It is our fiduciary responsibility to do that. He is very proud to be part of a community where we have checks and balances in place.

Across this country some libraries have closed down because communities have no longer been able to sustain them for one reason or another. It is important to spend the money wisely. The whole thought process was to try to put the library in a position of perpetuity. If the library was conjoined with the power of the Township, the power of the community hub of the civic center, they would have financial sound backing behind it. If there is a downturn and you're in a group, you can fend for each other.

If we seem a little overzealous or a little overprotective, we are. That's why you elected us. His objective is to make sure this Township is rock solid. This Board has to back up the bonds so we want to make sure what we do is going to work. The civic center study is very important. Take the library out of the equation, we still need to know what the community wants, needs, how it is going to look and carry itself out into the future. This takes time, effort, money and thought. This Board never said not to issue the bonds but we said let's do our due diligence, homework and try to get through a feasibility study. The whole idea is to look at other communities who are doing the same thing and having success with it.

(Whereupon a recess was taken at 9:02 p.m. to 9:12 p.m.)

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. LIST OF BILLS**
- B. REVENUE AND EXPENSES**
- C. CHECK DISBURSEMENTS**
- D. BUDGET AMENDMENT**
- E. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
 - 1. POLICE**
 - 2. FIRE**
 - 3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
- F. BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**
- G. TREASURER'S REPORT**

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Ruggles, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Powell to remove Item 6F from the Consent Agenda. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

It was **MOVED** by Clerk Lilley, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Ruggles to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

Supervisor Kowall announced the appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals: Niklaus

Schillack, term to expire Dec. 18, 2019. Allison Swanson is appointed as Alternate, term to expire Dec. 18, 2018. Cliff Sieber, Alternate, term to expire Dec. 18, 2018. For the Planning Commission, Anthony Noble, term to expire Dec. 18, 2018.

It was MOVED by Trustee Powell, SUPPORTED by Trustee Smith to approve the Board and Commission Appointments. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

PRESENTATION

A. HURON VALLEY YOUTH ASSISTANCE PRESENTATION

Mary McDonell. She served as Highland Township Clerk for 16 yrs. She retired from that and is now a trustee on the Highland Township Board. She served on the Youth Assistance Board for the past five years. The Chairman of the Board, Don Green, who is also Milford Township Supervisor has been on the Youth Assistance Board for 17 years. We appreciate you allowing us to speak with you this evening.

Youth Assistance has been in existence since 1953. It provides counseling, referral services, family education, mentoring and many other programs to the youth and families of our communities. You were provided with a sheet that shows the percentage breakdowns of the clients served. We also provided some information regarding the programs we provide. The Youth Assistance worker is provided by the Circuit Court Family Division. Our office space is provided by Huron Valley Schools. CDBG Funds are used to provide tutoring and camp programs. The utilities, phone, fax, copier, office supplies and clerical staff have to be provided by local municipalities. Last year those expenses totaled over \$26,000. The sponsorship money has been provided by Highland and Milford Township for the past 21 yrs. We do fundraising for some of that money.

The Youth Assistance Board is here tonight to ask White Lake Township to sponsor some of that program. Based on the clients served from your community, the split would be about \$9,282. We'd also like to invite a member of your Board to join the Youth Assistance Board. We meet once a month at Brooks Elementary School. We have seven members now. It is one of the best organizations she's been involved in in terms of the work they do. They provide valuable counseling and assistance, referral services and it prevents children from being part of the court system. It gives them an option to avoid that record on their name. We've had great testimonies by families that were helped out by this. It is a great service to your community and we hope that you will consider sponsoring it this year in your budget.

MINUTES

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING, AUGUST 15, 2017

Trustee Smith noted a correction on page 1. Directly after the Motion by Trustee Smith to amend the Agenda by adding Item 10I, add wording 'Please note there was additional discussion regarding Item 10I at various points throughout the meeting'.

Trustee Powell noted two additional corrections to the Minutes on pages 6 and 7. Change 'Trustee' Roman to 'Treasurer' Roman.

It was MOVED by Trustee Powell, SUPPORTED by Treasurer Roman to approve the Minutes dated August 15, 2017 as corrected. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

PUBLIC HEARING WITH RESOLUTION

A. PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONFIRMATION OF ROLL FOR EMERGENCY SEWER CONNECTIONS 2017-01 SAD.

1. RESOLUTION #17-034, CONFIRM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR SAD DESIGNATED EMERGENCY SEWER CONNECTIONS 2017-01

It was MOVED by Trustee Powell, SUPPORTED by Treasurer Roman to Open Public Hearing for Confirmation of Roll for Emergency Sewer Connections 2017-01. The MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote (Smith-yes/Voorheis-yes/Powell-yes/Ruggles-yes/Roman-yes/Lilley-yes/Kowall-yes).

There were no comments by the Public at this time.

It was MOVED by Supervisor Kowall, SUPPORTED by Trustee Powell to Close Public Hearing for Confirmation of Roll for Emergency Sewer Connections 2017-01. The MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote (Smith-yes/Voorheis-yes/Powell-yes/Ruggles-yes/Lilley-yes/Roman-yes/Kowall-yes).

It was MOVED by Trustee Ruggles, SUPPORTED by Trustee Voorheis to approve Resolution #17-034, Confirm Special Assessment Roll for SAD Designated Emergency Sewer Connections 2017-01. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

RESOLUTION

A. RESOLUTION #17-035, 2018 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

Trustee Voorheis doesn't approve changing the meeting dates due to a trustee member being unable to attend on a particular day. She'd prefer they take place on the third Tuesday of every month for ease of recall and consistency especially when relating the meeting dates for residents.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Powell, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Ruggles to approve Resolution #17-035, 2018 Board of Trustees Meetings as presented. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (6 yes votes/1-no vote Voorheis).

B. RESOLUTION #17-037, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2018-2023

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Ruggles, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to approve Resolution #17-037, Capital Improvement Plan 2018-2023. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

NEW BUSINESS

A. FIREWORK PERMIT FOR LAKELAND HIGH SCHOOL

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Voorheis, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Powell to approve the Firework Permit for Lakeland High School. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

B. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION AND APPROVE BID TO BEGIN WORK ON WELL REPAIR AND CLEANINGS

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman to approve Northern's bid for repair of Well #1 in the amount of \$45,000, authorizing the Supervisor to approve the necessary repairs, and Peerless' bid to clean and pull Twin Lakes Well #1 and Village Acres #3 in the amount of \$13,300. Motion withdrawn.

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Powell to approve Peerless' bid to clean and pull Twin Lakes Well #1 and Villages Acres Well #3 in the amount of \$13,300. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

C. POLICE DEPARTMENT - FLEET VEHICLE PURCHASE

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Roman, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to approve the purchase of two (2) utility police Interceptors and a DARE SSV Supercrew F150 for a total amount of \$108,248.81. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

D. FIRE DEPARTMENT - ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLE PURCHASE

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Powell, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Voorheis to approve the purchase of two (2) utility Interceptors for the Fire Dept. in the amount of \$54,300, obtaining additional bids for outfitting the vehicles. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

E. FIRST READING, AMENDMENT TO MINOR IN POSSESSION ORDINANCE

It was MOVED by Trustee Ruggles, SUPPORTED by Clerk Lilley to approve moving to Second Reading, Amendment to Minor in Possession Ordinance. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

OLD BUSINESS

A. WHITE LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH REQUEST TO FINALIZE AND CLOSE ORDINANCE 88 MINING PERMIT AND BONDING REQUIREMENTS

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Powell to approve the White Lake Presbyterian Church Request to Finalize and Close Ordinance 88 Mining Permit and Bonding Requirements. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

B. STATUS OF CIVIC CENTER CONSULTING PROJECT

Supervisor Kowall stated, regarding the Civic Center Consulting Project, the process is still ongoing. They are still gathering data. The survey is still open. They are trying to get information from all the individuals willing to participate in that. The next meeting will be held October 18, 2017 at Lakeland High School at 7 p.m. He would like to see more interaction between the public and this company.

Trustee Smith added the survey will be open until the consulting process is over. The turnout up to this point is very low. We really need the input of the community. She would like to see that message added to the Township marquee. She also would very much like to see an old fashioned Town Hall discussion on this topic. The residents have questions, need further clarity and still need to be heard on this topic.

FYI

A. HISTORICAL SOCIETY 1948 FIRE TRUCK

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Ruggles to approve including the Historical Society 1948 Fire Truck under the White Lake Township Blanket Insurance Policy. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. APPROVAL TO RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 (h)

It was MOVED by Supervisor Kowall, SUPPORTED by Treasurer Roman to approve adjourning into Executive Closed Session to consider attorney/client privileged communication in accordance with MCL 15.268 (h). The MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote (Ruggles-

yes/Powell-yes/Voorheis-yes/Smith-yes/Kowall-yes/Lilley-yes/Roman-yes).


The meeting was adjourned into Executive Session at 10:17 p.m.

It was MOVED by Supervisor Kowall, SUPPORTED by Trustee Powell to return to open session. The MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote (Ruggles-yes/Powell-yes/Voorheis-yes/Smith-yes/Kowall-yes/Lilley-yes/Roman-yes).

It was MOVED by Supervisor Kowall, SUPPORTED by Treasurer Roman to adjourning the meeting. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

I, Terry Lilley, the duly elected and qualified Clerk of the Charter Township of White Lake, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the September 28, 2017 regular board meeting minutes.



Terry Lilley, Clerk
White Lake Township
Oakland County, Michigan