

<p style="text-align: center;"> YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP <u>BOARD OF TRUSTEES</u> <u>Work Session #2</u> <u>Thursday, February 15, 2018</u> 6:00 p.m. Yankee Springs Township Hall 284 N. Briggs Rd., Middleville, Michigan 49333 </p> <p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES</p>	<p> FINAL MINUTES Page 1 of 3 YST BOT-Wk. Session 2 2.15.18 Draft Circulated 2-23-18 Approved 3/8/2018 </p>
<p>Meeting called to order at 6:02 PM by Supervisor Mark Englerth.</p> <p><u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:</u></p> <p><u>Roll Call:</u> Jansma, J. Lippert, Englerth, Michael Boysen, VandenBerg.</p> <p><u>Staff Present:</u> Frank Fiala, Rich Beukema</p> <p><u>Visitors:</u> (3) L. Knowles, R. Lippert, Brad Williams</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p> <p>PLEDGE</p> <p>ROLL CALL</p>
<p><u>Changes to Agenda: Add: Articles of Incorporation at GLASWA</u></p> <p>Brief discussion on having public comment at end of the meeting. A. Jansma commented, "We are having a meeting in public, not a public meeting."</p>	<p>Changes to Agenda</p>
<p><u>Purpose of Meeting Called at the Regular Board meeting of February 8th, 2018 as follows:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Conduct Second Work session of 2018 ➤ Any such Matters that may come before the Board <p>Englerth commented on a conversation with Mike Bremer, Supervisor, Thornapple Township, regarding a section (NE corner) of the township that would possibly receive better assistance from TTES than from Wayland ambulance.</p> <p>Englerth commented on possibly sitting down with Bob Hess from the Wayland Ambulance Service, and Dan or Joe Miller from the fire station and talk regarding the coverage of the NE section and if they are interested in having a meeting regarding the coverage matter. Discussion took place regarding who should attend the meeting besides M. Englerth. It was determined that A. Jansma and M. Englerth will have a brief meeting with those mentioned-above regarding if there is interest in looking further into the coverage matter.</p> <p><u>Meeting with the Attorney in closed session</u> will occur on Monday, February 19th at 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><u>Possible discussion with Orangeville regarding intergovernmental cooperation-</u></p> <p>Englerth mentioned trying to curb some behavior after 10:00 p.m. in the Gun Lake area (1/3rd of Gun Lake is under County zoning and 2/3rds is under Yankee Springs zoning per Englerth). Rental issues were also mentioned as well. Englerth commented that zoning doesn't handle this type of behavior. Having someone to respond to these types of issues is an issue. Englerth mentioned an overlay district involving Yankee Springs, Orangeville, Martin and Wayland townships was worked on previously, but nothing came of it. Englerth would like to encourage discussion with Orangeville regarding a possible partnership dealing with disturbing the peace. Englerth mentioned the big impact time frame would be the 13 weeks of summer.</p>	<p>Purpose of Meeting</p> <p><u>Possible Discussion regarding emergency coverage of NE corner of township</u></p> <p>CLOSED SESSION Meeting Scheduled</p> <p><u>Intergovernmental cooperation</u></p>

Regarding 911 – R. Lippert noted that M. Englerth’s name has shown up on the 911 Report a couple of times. R. Lippert asked M. Englerth about response time. Englerth told of response time when he fell off his deck and when a family member was involved in a threatening situation. Englerth commented that response time was quick because of the urgency of the incident(s). R. Lippert commented that it wasn’t a matter of the ordinance that needed to be addressed, but the Sheriff’s response time. Englerth commented that he was talking about a contract for the 13 weeks of summer. But Englerth commented it wasn’t his goal regarding the contract, the goal was to build a relationship with Orangeville. R. Lippert commented on having a plateful in Yankee Springs, “it’s a mess.”

J. Lippert commented that Orangeville Township has a stand-alone ordinance on noise control. After 11:30 p.m. the sheriff is called.

Englerth will contact Orangeville on having a meeting regarding intergovernmental cooperation.

Veterans Memorial – commented the stone is done and is sitting at Patten Monument. Since it hasn’t been delivered, the township hasn’t been billed. M. Englerth commented the work has been done, and it is a family-owned business. Englerth commented that he would like to pay \$10,000 toward the stone. Englerth commented that he will make sure that the township will get a bill before a check is written. There is a design for the foundation. There is approximately \$20,000 in funds for the Memorial. Englerth commented on the project still being under-funded. Casino funds have been designated for \$20,000 toward the project. Discussion took place on fund-raising, budget and casino approval of earmarked funds. Englerth commented that there was enough money for pouring the foundation, some cement and setting the stone. Englerth commented that things were going on with the project and they are waiting for the weather.

April 25, 2018 is the designated date for **Clean-up in state game area of Yankee Springs.** In the past, Yankee Springs has donated a dumpster.

Discussion on GLASWA Bond – it was noted that the current edition of The Banner, (Feb. 15, 2018) had an article regarding the bond (on pg. 2). L. Knowles, Director of GLASWA, commented that in 2016, it was a \$2.0 million project. Since 2016, commercial projects have increased approximately 15% to 20%. The GLASWA Board wants to take advantage of the 2018 construction season. The DEQ has the drawings and they (GLASWA) are waiting for the DEQ to weigh in and make its recommendation. Once the DEQ weighs in- it can be put out for bid right away and they can move on the project. New project estimate is at \$ 2.164 million, but the GLASWA board voted to increase the amount not to exceed \$2.5 million, to meet possible increased costs. Orangeville is waiting to approve it. L. Knowles referred to the local paper’s coverage. Knowles commented that GLASWA will now not be asking for the additional \$500,000 on the bond. L. Knowles commented that the thought at the time in 2016 was to keep the costs of bond down, and have the townships back the bond (as co-signers to reduce the interest rate), but now that Orangeville backed out, GLASWA will have to go on their own to get the bond. It will be more expensive and the cost will be passed to the customers. Discussion occurred on working with governmental entities regarding the project.

Veterans Memorial

**DATE for Clean Up Day
in YS State Game Area**

**DISCUSSION on
GLASWA bond**

The confidential memo of 6 pages distributed to Board members only at the last township board meeting of Feb. 8th. Clerk noted that the following morning, (Feb. 9th; 9:30 AM) she had a FOIA request for that very same information.

Motion by J. Lippert with support from Jansma **to take 6 pg. confidential memo (attorney/client memo dated Feb. 5, 2018- distributed at Feb. 8, 2018 Board meeting) out of private and make it published to the public- making it a matter of public record for public view.** ROLL CALL: Jansma: Yes, J. Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

VandenBerg asked to bring up the **Articles of Incorporation for GLASWA.** VandenBerg recalled a prior meeting commenting on A. Jansma checking with the YS attorney and the GLASWA attorney regarding L. Knowles being able to sit on the YS Board as a Trustee and also being a Director of GLASWA. It was commented that it was legal for this to occur per VandenBerg. VandenBerg commented that his point was to suggest that the **Twp. Board Representative on the GLASWA Water Board,** whoever it may be, go through the Regular Township Board first, basically to get a “Yay or a Nay” and after that (Township Board approval) bring it up at GLASWA. VandenBerg commented that he would like to set up some policy regarding this and continue this process.

Code Enforcement Officer:

Brad Williams, former police officer with the City of Walker, was present at this evening’s meeting. Mr. Williams commented that he was looking for the possibility of employment for zoning enforcement here (Yankee Springs Twp.). B. Williams is currently working part-time for Thornapple Township.

Motion by A. Jansma with support from Boysen for Brad Williams to be hired part time as Code Enforcement Officer. Details of position to be discussed in the near future. ROLL CALL: Jansma: Yes, J. Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Full recording of this meeting which is to be incorporated into the written minutes has been downloaded and is accessible at the Township’s website: www.yankeespringstwp.org under “2.15.18 WKSP 2”

NO FURTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Englerth with support from Boysen to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. Approved by all. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted:
Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary 2.15.18

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Approved : **March 8, 2018**

Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk

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**MOTION TO PUBLISH
CONFIDENTIAL MEMO**

**GLASWA Articles Of
Incorporation –regarding
Twp. Board approval
process for Twp. Rep. on
GLASWA Water Board.**

**MOTION TO HIRE NEW
CODE ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER**

**MEETING AUDIO ON
WEBSITE**

ADJOURNMENT