# YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

# Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, October 11, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Yankee Springs Township Hall 284 N. Briggs Rd., Middleville, Michigan 49333

# **MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Mark Englerth.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call: All Present: Jansma, J. Lippert, Englerth, Boysen, VandenBerg.

Staff Present: Chuck Biggs- Constable, Cathy Strickland, Frank Fiala.

Visitors: 11 (not including staff present).

#### ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:

• Add: The YS Election Commission will meet after tonight's meeting for the Nov. 6th Election.

• Add: To Supervisor's Report: Public Road discussion

. Add: New Business (end of meeting): Set date for Special Meeting regarding water rates, tap fees, assessments.

\*The board gave consent to these changes by an all "AYE" vote.

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

## **Approval of Consent Agenda Minutes:**

• Regular Meeting 9/13/18

• Special Meetings: 9/5/18, 9/13/18 at 6 p.m. (Lot Coverage Amendment), and 9/27/18 Water Line Repair

October Special Meetings: 10/2/18; 10/3/18

Sept. Payroll 9/28/18 Check #s 6340 through #6360 – Net Amount \$11,482.79

Sept. Accounts Payable check Register #914830 through #914886=\$58,662.42

Sept. VET Pool – Check#914869 Barry County Lumber - \$199.80

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion by Jansma with support from Boysen to approve the <u>Consent agenda for tonight's</u> meeting except for the 9/5/18 Meeting Minutes. Roll Call: Jansma: Yes, Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Lippert with support from Boysen to <u>approve Sept. 5, 2018 Spec. Board meeting</u>. Ayes: 4, Abstain: 1, (A. Jansma abstained as she was not present at this meeting). MOTION CARRIED.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

**Bill Medendorp, 1905 Vista Point, commented, "**On the date of October 4<sup>th</sup> at a special township meeting, it was revealed that the planning committee had made major changes from a

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Approved Nov. 8, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

ADDITIONS/

CHANGES TO AGENDA

CONSENT

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA -as amended

PUBLIC COMMENT

unanimous consensus back on January 18<sup>th</sup> of 2018 to the master plan and future land use map. **FINAL MINUTES** That unanimous consensus was revised by the PC committee members, behind closed doors, and amongst themselves between January 31st to approximately April 19th. I suggest the board examines those changes before any approval happens. If necessary I will ask for information by a FOIA. Something bothers me about those changes that happened so quickly from a unanimous consensus from back in January." (Mr. Medendorp submitted a typed copy of his comment to the recording secretary).

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS

Barry County Commissioner - Vivian Conner gave the Barry County Board of Commissioners Report. Written Report submitted.

ACKNOWLEDGE MENT OF **VISITORS:** Barry County

### **BOARD ACTION ITEMS(S):**

# 1. L-4029- EMERGENCY SERVICES

Discussion took place. A. Jansma, Treasurer, noted that .65 mills will raise \$178,000 for year of 2018.

BOARD ACTION **ITEMS** 

Commissioner -Vivian Conner

Motion by Jansma with support from VandenBerg to set bottom number of .65 mills for L-4029 - Emergency Services. Roll Call: Jansma: Yes, Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION TO APPROVE L-4029 Emergency Services

# 2. Professional Code Inspectors Contract Dec. 31, 2018 – Discussion

Current contract expires 12.31.18. PCI would like to have a two year contract. A. Jansma will get a contract ready for the next regular meeting.

3. Resurfacing Multi-Court Townsip Park – Estimates 6-13-2018

Discussion took place. A. Jansma commented that resurfacing was to be brought up at the July meeting. Jansma commented that the township has to "maintain what we have". Resurfacing will be put on the February 2019 agenda.

4. Discussion: Office carpet, painting, lights; 1 bid Received

Motion by Lippert with support by Boysen to re-advertise for two weeks (for office carpet, painting and lights) with same wordage and to include in Penasee Globe as well. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION to RE-ADVERTISE for Office remodel/labor and materials bids.

# 5. Set Date to review Fiscal Year Budget – 2018-2019

Date to review Fiscal Year Budget was set for Wednesday, Oct. 17th at 7 p.m.

CHANGE of SPECIAL BOARD -WATER MEETING DATE previously set for Oct. 15th. That meeting will now be tentatively scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 25th at 7 p.m.

6. Snow Plowing Services – Bids ??

Motion by Boysen with support from VandenBerg to continue with existing contract for Snow removal for 2018/2019. Roll Call: Jansma: Yes, Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION FOR SNOW REMOVAL

### TREASURER'S REPORT: presented by Alice Jansma, Treasurer

- September 2018: Financial Statement
- Attached Investment and Receipt Distribution Report September 2018
- Discussion on Cuddy Drain Pay off to be on meeting agenda in near future. possibly 10/17/18.

Motion by Englerth with support from Boysen to accept the Financial Report for September 2018 All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

## SUPERVISOR REPORT: Mark Englerth

Updates:

Trevor & Maddie Swarthout of Goldenrod, Wayland, were present. In 2013, water line was replaced at 12860 Goldenrod, and was replaced as of today. Englerth commented on the subdivision behind McDonald's and issues with water line(s). Swarthouts felt they were treated right and appreciated the work of GLASWA and the township. Pipe that was replaced was available for the audience to view during a recess in tonight's meeting..

Ryan Asbury of 971 Palmer Drive, (Barlow Lake) commented on the discrepancy of where Bluff Drive exists, and where it is actually supposed to be. Asbury noted that approximately 38 parcels are affected.

Motion by Englerth with support from VandenBerg/Boysen to move forward and use township attorney not to exceed two meetings or two hours per meeting to amend supervisor plat (Briggs Subdivision Plat). Roll Call: Jansma: Yes, Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: amend Briggs Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

\*Englerth will contact Dan Scheuerman, Assessor, to obtain property identification, put together a mailing list and a letter to go out to property owners that are affected.

Supervisor Englerth noted that windows for the office are in the township hall and he's been wrestling with the weather to have them installed.

**Recycling:** Englerth has been notified of a significant rate increase involving tipping fees. Englerth was advising board of this as this may be a consideration with future recycling efforts of the township.

Meeting with Rural Water and Fleis & VandenBrink will be tentatively held Thursday, Oct. 25 $^{
m th}$ instead of previous date of Monday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Englerth noted the Well-Being Group has met again recently at the township hall and is working in collaboration with individuals and organizations including: Pine Rest, Dar Leaf (Barry County Sheriff), United Way and Gun Lake Community Church. Englerth noted that this group "helps people with their emotional/psychological issues- whatever their struggles are."

**Buoys**: Englerth noted the buoys are still out (Gun Lake) and are to be removed before weather gets cold.

**Public Roads:** Englerth noted that he has talked with C. Kaufman, YS Attorney regarding this issue. It was noted that if one uses a public road and impedes others, they are violating the law. Discussion called for by VandenBerg.

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TREASURER'S REPORT: presented by Alice

Jansma, Treasurer

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Mark Englerth

MOTION FOR YS ATTY at MEETINGS to Subdivision Plat.

Motion by Englerth with support by Boysen to send a letter to residents or property owners impeding FINAL MINUTES Public Roads and Accesses to enforce encroachments by Code Enforcement Officer followed by Page 4 of 5 YST Bd Trustees letter from attorney, if not abided by. The Barry County Sheriff's Office will be notified as well. Roll 10/11/18 Call: Jansma: Yes, Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED. MOTION regarding Impeding of Public \*Supervisor's Report will continue after the Clerk's Report. Roads CLERK'S REPORT: Jan Lippert, Clerk **CLERK'S** REPORT: Jan Invoice Register of 10/11/2018: \$50,550.05 Lippert, Clerk Motion by Jansma with support from Boysen to approve current invoice register for the amount Motion to approve of <u>\$50,550.05</u>. Roll Call: Jansma: Yes, Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, current invoice VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED. register September Yankee Springs Fire Report \* Request by A. Jansma to call this report "Yankee Springs Emergency Services Report." September 911 Report – Clerk's Office PCI September Building Report/August & September Zoning Activity Report Clerk Lippert also noted that Deputy Clerk Marge VanderMeyden has taken in over 600 Absentee **Ballots** already (for Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> Election). SUPERVISOR SUPERVISOR REPORT: Mark Englerth continued... REPORT: Mark I. Make Calendar for Infrastructure Management: (addressed earlier in meeting set for 10/25/18.) Englerth continued 2. Appointment of Shana Bush – Planning Commission Member Motion by Englerth with support by VandenBerg to appoint Shana Bush to the Planning MOTION TO Commission Member for year starting January 1, 2019 to fill slot of November and APPOINT S. BUSH December of this year. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED. TO PLANNING COMM. 3. Mark and Alice- Veterans Memorial Bricks Engraved - \$1,100.00 collected. MOTION TO MOVE Motion by Jansma with support from Lippert to move forward on paying tiles. Roll Call: FORWARD ON Jansma: Yes, Lippert: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Boysen: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. PAVING TILES/VET. MOTION CARRIED. MEMORIAL 4. GLASWA Water Report – October 4, 2018-10-11 - distributed NEW/OLD BUSINESS/ BOARD COMMENT: NEW/OLD A. Jansma distributed information to board members for the newly scheduled meeting on BUSINESS/ Thursday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. BOARD COMMENT Boysen requested Special Meeting in near future to determine once and for all how to proceed with Mr. Knowles taking position of trustee and sitting as GLASWA Director. It was noted that C. Kaufman, Attorney, is preparing a memo to give some direction. Englerth will check with C. Kaufman to see her availability. Discussion took place. All board members were in agreement to

have this special meeting as requested by Boysen.

S. VandenBerg requested a Special Meeting as well. Supervisor Englerth asked VandenBerg to sit in the audience. VandenBerg went to the audience. VandenBerg commented from the audience that the GLASWA Board voted to give this issuw to YS Twp. to deal with alone. It was clarified that S. VandenBerg would like to have a special meeting regarding indirect hook ups. Englerth requested for a recess to possibly clear up/settle the matter. Englerth requested L. Knowles to join Englerth in the township office. A. Jansma was requested to join this meeting in the office as well.	FINAL MINUTES Page 5 of 5 YST Bd Trustees 10/11/18 BREAK/RECESS
RECESS: 8:54 p.m. RESUME: 9:15 p.m.	
After the regular board meeting resumed:	
Motion by Englerth with support by A. Jansma to confirm amount due on a permit is \$2,088.00 and the hook up fee is up to the developer not to the township. This is for the Pine Meadows existing development only. Discussion took place.	
After discussion, Englerth <u>withdrew</u> his motion above, and noted that once the board obtains information, a special meeting will be scheduled as requested by VandenBerg.	
<b>Mike Boysen</b> commented, "This is my last regular meeting, and I just wanted to say thank you very much, I appreciate you appointing me" Boysen continued saying that he enjoyed most of it, and noted it was more entertaining than cable T.V. Boysen also noted that he had learned a lot. Englerth commented, "We've enjoyed you. You've been an asset." The audience applauded.	
PUBLIC COMMENT: None.	PUBLIC COMMENT: None
Full audio recording of this meeting which is to accompany the written minutes (for this meeting) has been downloaded to the township office computer system on 10/11/18 immediately following meeting.	
ADJOURNMENT:	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
Motion by Englerth with support from Boysen to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. Approved by all. Motion Carried.	
Respectfully submitted: Date: Circulate 10-24-18 draft jcl Approved Nov. 8, 2018  Deb Mousseau  Respectfully Secretary 10/11/18	
Recording Secretary 10/11/18  Approved:	
Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk	