

YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Special Board Meeting
Water Line Repair

Thursday, Sept. 27, 2018
7:00 p.m.

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call: Present: A. Jansma, Englerth, Boysen, VandenBerg.

Absent with notice: J. Lippert

Staff Present: None.

Visitors: 2 - (Trevor & Madison Swarthout).

PURPOSE OF MEETING: Water Line Repair

Location: 12860 Goldenrod Ct., Wayland, MI

Issue: Service line from house is leaking.

Background: In 2013, water service failed and GLASWA replaced it with K copper. Supervisor Englerth noted that K copper is supposed to last 100 years. The replacement of five years ago has failed. Englerth noted that time was of the essence. Englerth commented that possibly there is an electrolysis problem with the K copper that should have lasted. Englerth commented that PEX (cross-linked polyethylene) should be put in and plastic lasts 80 years.

It was noted that The Swarthouts came to Larry Knowles, of GLASWA for relief. L. Knowles referred them to the Township Board. Discussion of the Board occurred, followed by discussion with the homeowners, Trevor & Madison Swarthout.

Motion Jansma with support from VandenBerg to have GLASWA oversee and make the repair at 12860 Goldenrod, Wayland, MI as Englerth and Knowles discussed (running PEX). Roll Call Vote: Jansma: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes, Boysen: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Lippert: Absent. Yes: 4, No: 0, Absent: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Englerth with support by VandenBerg that financial burden of line repair is not born on the homeowners, The Swarthouts, of 12860 Goldenrod, Wayland, MI and cost will be between township board and GLASWA which is to be negotiated at a later date. Roll Call Vote: Jansma: Yes, VandenBerg: Yes, Boysen: Yes, Englerth: Yes, Lippert: Absent. Yes: 4, No: 0, Absent: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

ROLL CALL

PURPOSE OF MEETING

MOTION for GLASWA to oversee/make repair.

MOTION that no financial will be placed on the homeowners.

**Englerth noted that any landscaping and seeding will be done on the part of the homeowner. Both homeowners understood were in agreement (nod of heads).*

**Englerth also noted that this meeting did not set a precedent and will proceed from this point on a "case by case" basis. This is a unique problem in itself that is not fully understood.*

Motion by Englerth with support by VandenBerg (due to this being a unique problem in itself and that is not fully understood) to waive water regulations to allow for PEX to be put in for this application (at 12860 Goldenrod, Wayland). All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

VandenBerg mentioned his frustration in that if the contractor was a plumbing company, and not GLASWA, the Board wouldn't be dealing with this issue.

The Swarthouts left the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

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MOTION to Waive regulations to allow PEX.

OTHER ITEMS:

Future Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m.: The Board will work on GLASWA's Articles of Incorporation.

Wednesday, Oct. 3 at 7 p.m.: The Board will interview Planning Commission Applicants.

Thursday, Oct. 4 at 4 p.m.: C. Kaufman, Y.S. Twp. Attorney will be present to address a complaint.

A. Jansma commented that resurfacing of the court at the park should be on the agenda for the meeting of October 11th.

Discussion occurred regarding the Fire Station air/furnace's maintenance, repair and possible replacement. Also mentioned was the bid for the township hall update. Further discussion took place regarding discussion with bidding contractor and fire department personnel after the Sept. 13th Regular Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Englerth with support from Boysen to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. Approved by all. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted: Date: _____
Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary 9/27/18 Approved : _____
Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk

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ADJOURNMENT