

**YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Board Appointments/Interviews**  
**Monday, February 13, 2017**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**Yankee Springs Township Hall**  
**284 N. Briggs Rd., Middleville, Michigan 49333**

**FINAL MINUTES**  
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**MINUTES**

**Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Supervisor Mark Englerth.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

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ROLL CALL**

**Roll Call:** Jansma, Lippert, Englerth, Rottschafer (via conference call), VandenBerg.

**Staff Present:** Rich Beukema, Frank Fiala, Greg Purcell (via conference call).

**Visitors:** 5 (not including staff present).

**PURPOSE OF MEETING:**

To interview applicants for the Planning Commission, ZBA and any other boards/committees that applicants may show interest in.

It was noted that those present have applied for:

**Richard Beukema & Frank Fiala are for re-appointments to the PC.**

**John Frigmanski: ZBA**

**Fred Wallace: has applied for everything**

**Dave VanHouten: ZBA**

**Todd Delamar: ZBA & PC**

**Joseph Klinge: Absent Non-resident – applied for Committee(s)**

2 other applications were received for committees from: Larry Knowles & Sandy Marcukaitis (Neither were present at this evening’s meeting)

**Board members reviewed questions and narrowed the list down to 6 questions.**

- 1. Have you sat on the PC or ZBA in the past?**
- 2. Are you committed to taking additional classes to increase your knowledge of Planning & Zoning? Would you be willing to serve on a committee(s)?**
- 3. Would you be willing to sit on other committees?**
- 4. What do you expect to accomplish on the P/C? ZBA?**
- 5. How do you keep up (or how will you keep up) with township board issues?**
- 6. Do you believe in Zoning and understand zoning?**

7. Do you consider yourself open-minded and fair?

6 Applicants  
Interviewed  
2 were re-appointments

Also: (question #8) Most applicants were offered to make a comment to the board- if they chose to.

Richard Beukema was the first person interviewed, followed by (in order):

Frank Fiala, John Frigmanski, Todd Delamar, Dave VanHouten, and Fred Wallace.

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After the interviews, the Board reviewed the number of openings available:

Planning Commission: Three openings: two (2) openings from re-appointments plus one (1) opening to be filled by a Board member.

ZBA: Two openings (regular) plus two openings (for alternates). It was noted that Chuck Biggs (alternate) would remain on until a replacement is found for him.

Rottschafer suggested Jan sending out an email tomorrow with slots for what is needed and then board members send back their thoughts.

Lippert noted that the Planning Commission is meeting this Thursday (2-16-17) and Frank Fiala will do an election of officers - (new PC people have to be appointed or sworn in that night).

It was determined that this **Wednesday morning (February 15, 2017) at 8:00 a.m.**, board members will go over the applicants. This will be a special board meeting requiring 18 hour notice.

Englerth commented that applicants will be notified within an hour of the time a decision is made.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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Motion by Jansma with support from Lippert to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Approved by all. Motion Carried.

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Respectfully submitted:  
Deb Mousseau  
Recording Secretary 2.13.17

Date: Final Approval March 9, 2017  
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Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk