

**YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting
Tuesday, March 14, 2017
10:00 a.m.
Yankee Springs Township Hall
284 North Briggs Road, Middleville, Michigan 49333
MINUTES**

Call meeting to Order by M. Englerth, Supervisor, at 10:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: A. Jansma, J. Lippert, Englerth, VandenBerg, Rottschafer (via remote).

Also present: L. Knowles, Zoning Administrator, Catherine Kaufman, Township Attorney

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

To discuss YS TWP. VS. WHISPERING PINES et al. PENDING LITIGATION and go into closed session.

MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION #1: (10:03 A.M.)

Motion by J. Lippert with support from VandenBerg to go into closed session regarding YS TWP. VS. WHISPERING PINES et al. PENDING LITIGATION. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION TO CLOSE CLOSED SESSION #1: (11:23 A.M.)

Motion by J Lippert with support from A. Jansma to close the Closed Session #1 and return to the Special meeting. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion for direction for Catherine Kaufman, Attorney:

Motion by A. Jansma with support from S. VandenBerg to direct the attorney to contact Whispering Pines with proposed settlement position by March 17, 2017. ROLL CALL: Englerth: yes, VandenBerg: yes, Lippert: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Jansma: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION #2: (11:25 A.M.)

Motion by Lippert with support from Englerth to enter Closed Session #2 at 11:25 a.m. with township attorney regarding written legal opinion. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

MOTION TO CLOSE CLOSED SESSION #2 (approx. 12:03 p.m.)

Motion by A. Jansma to go out of closed session #2 with support from J. Lippert. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Board actions for the agenda: The board has directed C. Kaufman to amend the zoning ordinance to have six people on the ZBA. 2 Alternates. And that a board member shall remain as a member of the ZBA. C. Kaufman will prepare the notice for the April Planning Commission meeting. ZBA meeting is the 2nd Tuesday (April 11) at 7 p.m. PC is the 3rd Thursday (April 20). To be published in the Middleville Sun & News. C.Kaufman will give the notice to J. Lippert to have published in the Sun & News.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Clerk Lippert to adjourn the meeting at 12:09 p.m. Support by Rottschafer. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary 3.19.17

Date Minutes Approved: April 13, 2017

Approved : _____
Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk