YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Special Meeting

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 9:00 a.m.

Yankee Springs Township Hall 284 North Briggs Road, Middleville, Michigan 49333

MINUTES

Call meeting to Order by M. Englerth, Supervisor, at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: A. Jansma, J. Lippert, Englerth, VandenBerg, Rottschafer.

Present via remote: Rottschafer

Also present: L. Knowles, Zoning Administrator, Catherine Kaufman, Township Attorney, and Craig Noland of McGraw-Morris (Insurance defense counsel).

No visitors were in attendance

Motion to go into Closed Session –

Motion by Jansma with support from VandenBerg to have township board meet in a closed session under Section 8 (e) of the Open Meetings Act, regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with the *Yankee Springs Township vs. Whispering Pines Condominium Association et al* litigation, as to discuss this matter in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigation or settlement position of the Township. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, VandenBerg: yes, Rottschafer: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Closed session began at 9:05 a.m.: All five members of township board went into closed session. Catherine Kaufman, YS Twp. Attorney, Craig Noland (Insurance Defense Counsel) and Larry Knowles, YST Zoning Administrator, were in the closed session as well.

End of Closed Session: 10:10 a.m.

Motion by Lippert with support from Jansma to close closed session at 10:10 a.m. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, VandenBerg: yes, Rottschafer: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Return to open Session at 10:10 a.m.:

Motion by Englerth with support from Lippert to have two attorneys (Catherine Kaufman and Craig Noland) meet with the Whispering Pines Attorney and have some dialog and then set up a (2nd) meeting. At that meeting Alice Jansma (Board Member) and Larry Knowles, will be there to assist our attorneys and they will try to hammer out an agreement that they will bring back to the full board in the best interest of the township and the community. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, VandenBerg: yes, Rottschafer: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Lippert with support from Englerth to adjourn Special Meeting at 10:15 a.m. Approved by all.

Approved DRAFT Date: 1-18-17
By: Janice C. Lippert, Clerk
Final Minutes Approved Feb. 9, 2017

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Call Meeting to Order

FINAL MINUTES

Approved: 2-9-2017

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Motion to go into Closed

Session

Closed Session began 9:05 am

End of Closed Session: 10:10 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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Respectfully submitted:
D. Mousseau, Recording Secretary 1,17.17