

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Limit 3 minutes)

Supervisor Englerth commented that if anyone is recording the meeting that they sit at the public media table as not to disturb those in attendance.

Bill Medendorp of Vista Dr. commented regarding the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and regarding a meeting with Larry (Knowles) and the YS Attorney was sitting near L. Knowles. Medendorp wanted to know “is the public or community going to pay for that?...The second thing is, I want to know how much you paid all the attorneys this year or last year. The third thing, is the planning cost. I want to know about the lady that sits up there, that’s ahead of the zoning, which is the authority. I want to know what they pay her and how long she’s been on the? The fourth thing is when Purcell and Larry (Knowles) was here when they went after you on that time when they were both at the meeting the month before. If we are going by zoning laws, and I’m saying is, they heard you say that you tabled it at the end of the year. I want to know why they didn’t go by the law of the zoning which is they got into a discussion argument and get Shane to say something and it was said in the back of the room that they’re going to recall Shane before he went to court. I want to know why. Larry talked about ..?. Mark’s power, Why did you lose your power? So that Alice can talk to the attorneys without the board? I want to know. Freedom of information. The next thing I hear, we want two more trustees on the trustee board. What I’m saying is, what are they trying to protect? I want to know these things. And I am going to demand those things. And these are my three minutes right there. I want you to think about these things because I will go after the information. And I will go after the information. Trust me.”

Julie Fox commented, “I guess I’m a regular, Julie Fox. I Foia’d the last few statements from the attorney and it’s hard for me to understand the billing. I have been in many transactions where in business we had bills from an attorney. It’s not real clear. So, because I was not part of the conversation, some of it’s vague and very hard to decipher, but there’s about \$17,500 worth of attorney bills between October into the 1st week of February. Twenty-five percent of those appeared to be necessary... And seventy-five percent of them were goofy stuff like reviewing newspaper articles, as forwarded by clerk. A lot of stuff for Shalinda. And what was the result of that after we’ve paid all of this in attorney bills and I’m sure a lot more before the date that I requested this? Same result that was decided before. Attorneys fees. We hurt a small businessman because he’s had to pay for attorneys. He’s had to leave his job. And this ?crippled the board. So just talking about mine. In here, I simply went and asked Jan Lippert who filed a complaint against my business. She lied to my face in her office and said she had no idea. Come to find out it was her and her husband. Then I filed a FOIA simply asking for who else they had filed complaints against. Got it back. Left off, David Neeson. In pursuing this, (Supervisor Englerth commented “Excuse me. You’re addressing the board.”) Yes. In pursuing this, if you were an innocent person, how many times would you have to go to an attorney, at how much expense, at our expense, would you have to have? How many times would you have to go to that attorney for just FOIAs? I’ve asked people who have a similar position to this. They hardly ever refer to an attorney for this. Would you do it once? Twice? Three times? Four times? Five times? Six times? Seven times? Eight times? Nine times? etc..... Twelve times a charm! That’s just what specifically has my name on it. It could be possibly, it’s so vague, 31 times. You don’t go to an attorney 31 times, between 12 and 31 times and you haven’t done anything wrong. “And, Janice, if you’d like to, before I come to the board next time, explain what your husband said on your behalf, in front of Judge Doherty about my personal character. You may get that off the plate now. Otherwise, I’ll be back.”

Bill Medendorp, Vista Point, asked “I’d like to say one more thing, if you don’t mind. (Englerth commented, “Well, I do.”)... Medendorp commented, “Well I’m saying, why is he giving hand gestures, like this? (B. Medendorp was referring to Robert Lippert.) (Trustee Boysen commented, “It’s not important.”) “It ain’t important, but that’s his wife up there...” (Englerth commented, “I understand, but we have to leave it at that.”)

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS:

Barry County Board of Commissioners – Vivian Conner summarized the Bd. Of Commissioners report given to the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Ron Heilman of the ZBA commented on attending the recent Transportation Bonanza – for the township – good information was presented for people/biking paths. R. Heilman has a lot of information and contact information from the meeting and he will make it available, please contact him. Also, Heilman commented on one of the major objectives for the ZBA was (#2 on list): finding ways to make zoning ordinances that generate numerous variance requests more compatible to the needs of citizens. Heilman referred to a request that recently came before the ZBA. The request dealt with lot coverage and the 30% lot coverage requirement in the ordinance. One of the main reasons for 30% would most likely be water run-off. Heilman asked that it would be a priority for the PC to look at this part of the ordinance and Heilman wanted to make the board aware of it. Heilman also mentioned noise complaints on Gun Lake. Heilman mentioned having a pilot program that has been talked about in a previous meeting. There was talk of having a meeting with Orangeville about this to maybe have something in place by summer time (*regarding noise ordinance*).

Supervisor Englerth commented that he is tentatively going to have a meeting and he has called Tom Rook. They’ve looked at 13 weeks of summer for about \$15,000 a year. Englerth mentioned non-discretionary money available possibly for the state park for a possible pilot program. Regarding noise complaints, Englerth commented that if a sheriff’s deputy stopped by (to a party/gathering) 9 out of 10 people would probably settle down. But with a part-time code enforcement officer- after 10 p.m. – it wouldn’t work so well.

Travis Alden- President Of Barry County Chamber of Commerce, commented on being at a township meeting about a year ago to talk (generally) about different economic incentives and tools that are out there at local, county and state levels. T. Alden commented that he was not here (tonight) to request any formal action on behalf of the board, but to plant a seed, about a possible tax abatement for a particular commercial expansion in the township.

Alden went on to comment that Herb Welz –Stickmann Bakery has created a destination business for this area and the primary focus for his expansion is additional manufacturing of baked goods for the retail and wholesale market. Welz is in process of acquiring property adjacent to his current property (the old Cappon’s). This property has a history of being a fuel station and a retail business. There has been assessed petroleum contamination on the site which is why they are currently working through the Barry County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority to submit a MDEQ Brownfield grant application for \$175,000 to do the remedial piece for the contamination. The overall estimate of capital investment in the project is over \$500,000 in addition to the \$175,000 in remediation fees. Over a dozen jobs are to be added. Alden noted that Herb Welz does quality projects and runs a quality business. Alden noted the Industrial Property Tax abatement -Public Act 198 of the State of Michigan–is the most used local tax abatement for industrial manufacturer projects. A lot of breweries and wineries are getting abatements because of processing. Alden commented on the percentage of processing activity required for qualification of the project.

According to Alden, the first step for the township would be is to first establish a development district. Then the property owner then can apply for up to 50 % abatement of new property taxes for up to 12 years. The abatement would only be applicable to any new taxable value. The amount the township is currently getting from it would not change.

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Barry County Board of Commissioners – Vivian Conner

Ron Heilman, ZBA

Travis Alden- President Of Barry County Chamber of Commerce

<p>T. Alden’s assistant,, commented that H. Welz is kind of in a holding pattern – and can’t break ground until he knows (regarding qualification of grant). So time is somewhat limited.</p> <p>Alice Jansma, Treasurer mentioned it would be a good way to help H. Welz and to get the Brownfield item taken care of- cleaned up. A. Jansma also mentioned the benefit of water quality. Julie Fox commented that her husband had spent time with H. Welz going over the project. Julie Fox noted Herb Welz’ project is outstanding and will be good for help cleaning up corridor and environmental quality. VandenBerg felt as a board there’s a responsibility to elevate H. Welz’ success.</p> <p><i>Motion by Jansma with support from Boysen to give Board consent to go forward to establish a development district and also work with the Brownfield item for H. Welz’ project. Boysen will take it up and contact a Planning Commission member to work with on this. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.</i></p>	<p>MINUTES Page 4 of 10 YST Bd Trustees 3-8-18 Approved 4-12-18</p> <p>Motion to move forward with establishing a Development District/ Welz Project</p>
<p><u>BOARD ACTION ITEMS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Resolution No. 03-01-2018 – Income Guidelines & Asset Test (for Poverty Exemption)</u> <i>Motion by Jansma with support from J. Lippert to approve of Resolution No. 03-01-2018- Income Guidelines & Asset Test (for Poverty Exemption). ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.</i> • <u>Resolution No. 03-02-2018 Yankee Springs Meadows (Drinking Water Supply)-</u> Englerth commented that it would be a stretch for YS to take it on without a Public Works Department. YS Twp. contracts its own water out. <i>Motion by VandenBerg with support from Boysen that the township will <u>not</u> take over their water system at YS Meadows. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.</i> • <u>Agreement Renewal GFWC – Gun Lake Area Women’s Club (addressed 1st of Board Action items this evening).</u> Englerth spoke well of Kreple’s community work and kind treatment to individuals from the Barry County Jail that helped with the park. Englerth commented on Pat Kreple’s hard work on the auction fundraiser for the Veterans Memorial. (Applause was given for Pat Kreple). P. Kreple noted the ongoing project of the GFWC – to maintain plants, and water and weed the six (6) berms. The contract doesn’t included purchasing or spreading of mulch. The proposal is \$2,000. Kreple noted GFWC stands for General Federation of Women Clubs. It’s worldwide. There are 101 in the Gun Lake Area membership. Every other club in Michigan has a single community that they support, but the Gun Lake Area Chapter takes care of four (4) communities. <i>Motion by Jansma with support from VandenBerg to approve contract with the GFWC- Gun Lake Area Chapter for landscaping work of the Township Park for this year at \$2,000. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.</i> P. Kreple added that mulch would be very important for the board to consider this year. Kreple spoke of those who use strollers and have pets. Kreple mentioned splintered picnic tables. Kreple hates it when moms are at the park and have to take their babies into the porta potty. 	<p><u>BOARD ACTION ITEMS</u></p> <p>Attachment MOTION – INCOME & ASSET TEST RESOLUTION</p> <p>Attachment MOTION on DRINKING WATER SUPPLY- YS MEADOWS</p> <p>Attachment MOTION to RENEW CONTRACT FOR LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE WITH GFWC – GUN LAKE AREA CHAPTER</p>

Mr. Dave Kolk of DK Landscape commented that as for the mulch, he will get it at his cost. If YS Twp. pays for it, they (DK) will spread it for free. In regards with the picnic tables, Dave Kolk commented that he will come back with an idea he has.

Julie Fox commented that the Curly Cone will buy the lumber for the picnic tables.

D. Kolk commented on using certified mulch for the requirements of the insurance company. Kolk commented that they'll take care of the mulch and wait on the playground.

A. Jansma mentioned a grant that would be discussed later in the meeting regarding the park.

Motion by Englerth with support from VandenBerg to purchase \$1,500 for bark not to exceed \$2,500. ROLL CALL: Jansma: No, Lippert: No, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 3, No: 2. MOTION CARRIED.

Investment & Depository Resolution for Yankee Springs Township Funds

Motion by Jansma with support from Boysen to approve Resolution #03-03-2018 – Investment & Depository Resolution for Yankee Springs Township Funds. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Ordinance Adoption – Sewer Amendment

Discussion took place regarding personal grinders. L. Knowles, GLASWA Director commented that after 40 years GLASWA's access (to grinders at a residence) can be limited. The GLASWA Board has decided on transferring maintenance of grinders to residents so the rest of the system doesn't have to subsidize them anymore. (It will not take effect until the next pump is replaced.) Englerth commented on tabling this item because it could be talked about for hours.

Motion by Englerth with support from Boysen to table Sewer Amendment (Ordinance Adoption). ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Jansma commented that this should be taken up before the next board meeting- at a special meeting. The meeting date will be determined at the end of the meeting.

Gun Lake Sewer System Improvements Contract 2-28-18

Discussion took place regarding: contract having been approved a year ago, possible new security involved in remodeling, financial standing of GLASWA, and more information needed for clarification.

Motion by VandenBerg with support from Boysen to table this item until a future meeting TBA and to be discussed with the previous item (Ordinance Adoption – Sewer Amendment). ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.

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**MOTION TO
PURCHASE BARK
for TWP. PARK**

**MOTION
INVESTMENT &
DEPOSITORY
RESOLUTION.**

**TABLED:
Ordinance Adoption –
Sewer Amendment**

**Gun Lake Sewer
System Improvements
Contract 2-28-18**

•Quotation Omega Systems – 2 Laptops for Elections

Motion by Lippert with support from Boysen to approve of purchase of two (2) laptops from Ocean Omega for elections. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.

• Laptop for Recording Secretary

Motion by Jansma with support from Lippert for Laptop for recording secretary for \$708.00. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Quote was unavailable for a new monitor for the Treasurer’s office. Estimated amount is \$195.00. Englerth commented that he will take care of it since it was under \$500.00.

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MOTIONS FOR
LAPTOPS FOR
ELECTIONS AND
RECORDING SECTY

BREAK: 8:20 PM RESUME: 8:35 PM

BREAK

TREASURER’S REPORT: presented by Alice Jansma, Treasurer

TREASURER’S
REPORT: Alice
Jansma, Treasurer

- **GLASWA – February Report Separate File Folder**
- **Library Service & Yankee Springs Twp. in Wayland Schools Update 3-2-2018**
- **Barry County Parks & Recreation Board – Grant Application-** We can apply up to \$2,000 and then twp. would have to match. (A. Jansma referred to this earlier in the meeting). Time frame for grant: Needs to be in by April 13th. **Jansma requested a meeting to discuss this.**
- **Millage Proposal – Language (Fire Protection – expires Dec. 1st)** maybe expand to include emergency service (ambulance) – Wording has to be completed in April to get on August ballot. **A. Jansma noted this should be added to a special meeting agenda as well.**
- **A. Jansma will go to the county tomorrow with the 2017 balanced tax roll.** Jansma noted that the township processes \$9,487,230.15 and of that the township gets to keep \$436,900.00.
- **Public hearing needed on Park Plan – date to be set at end of the meeting- notice will need to go in the newspaper.**

Motion by Lippert with support from Boysen to accept the Treasurer’s Report for February as presented. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT: Mark Englerth

SUPERVISOR’S
REPORT: Mark
Englerth

Trails – Englerth commented that he would give input that he has from the past and has contacts he can give and noted there was also an engineer’s study done on the Trails Project.

Motion by Englerth with support from VandenBerg to give Trails Project to Boysen and VandenBerg to be in charge of it. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION TO HAVE
VANDENBERG &
BOYSEN TAKE
CHARGE OF THE
TRAILS/WALKABLE
PATHS PROJECT

Veterans Memorial – Englerth commented in reference to questions of Boysen: “When forms are set, I’ll call a special board meeting. When the concrete is poured, we’ll call another one. The day the stone is set, we’ll call another one...”

Township Lawn Care:

Motion by Englerth with support from VandenBerg to not bid out for lawn care this year (2018 season). YS Township will retain DK Landscaping for this year. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.

***Regina Young of the Barry-Eaton Health Department** – was supposed to come to the meeting tonight regarding nitrate issues. R. Young could not attend due to family obligations.

FOIA Coordinator – commented that to accept Jan’s (Lippert) (FOIA Coordinator’s) resignation may have been premature. Englerth would like Jan to reconsider being a FOIA coordinator in the past. Englerth commented he will step up to the plate to fill in- if Jan doesn’t want to reconsider. Jan Lippert commented that she will take it under consideration, but will not be FOIA coordinator as of tonight. J. Lippert recommended Sandy Marcukaitis. Englerth commented that Sandy would report to Jan, so that wouldn’t change things. Englerth commented that he will be the FOIA coordinator, and will work with staff.

J. Lippert read her letter of Feb. 28th to the Board of Trustees regarding her resignation as FOIA coordinator. J. Lippert voluntarily withdrew from the FOIA Coordinator position on February 19th. J. Lippert asked Marge VanderMeyden who declined. J. Lippert asked Alice Jansma who also has declined. J. Lippert has also recommended that Sandra Marcukaitis, Zoning Administrator assistant, take the coordinator position. Also J. Lippert also read from her letter: “I have withdrawn from my duties as FOIA coordinator in order to stop the harassment of me and my family. The harassment comes from one person but it is likely supported, aided, and encouraged by others. From now on the hatred and falsehoods can only be directed at the system, not at me personally. It is my hope that the township board will also disengage from this animosity and will go forward again focused on productive administration.”

Motion by Jansma with support from Boysen to have M. Englerth as FOIA coordinator temporarily. ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: Abstained, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 4, No: 0, Abstained: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

Attorney Bills: Bills were copied for Englerth by J. Lippert. M. Englerth commented that they totaled approximately \$45,000 plus the newest bill of \$5,000. J. Lippert commented that there are several items on Bauckham, Sparks bills that have to be put into the escrow fee of Shalinda, and Shalinda also has escrow fees for Rebecca Harvey. A. Jansma commented that the budget year is over at the end of June. (A meeting date to discuss the bills will be determined later in the meeting.)

CLERK’S REPORT: Jan Lippert, Clerk

Fire Department Response Report of February 2018 from Dan Miller included in board packets.

911 February Report on File in Clerk’s Office.

PCI February Building Report included \$1,017,000 added to value of township.

PCI – Zoning Activity Report

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MOTION TO HAVE VETERANS MEMORIAL STONE SET

Attachment Clerk
Memo dated 2-28-18
To Twp Board

MOTION FOR TEMPORARY FOIA COORDINATOR

CLERK’S REPORT: Jan Lippert, Clerk

7 Member Board – inquiry made regarding correct procedure. Englerth didn't recall prior discussion on this. VandenBerg commented that he didn't recall giving permission to hire an attorney and spend money to get the correct procedure to go from five to seven people. VandenBerg commented that somebody mentioned it, but that didn't mean to hire an attorney and run with it.

Englerth asked to get copies of the minutes to the board regarding the inquiry. J. Lippert commented that she would find the minutes. S. VandenBerg commented that he did recall a conversation asking A. Jansma where this information came from and Alice said that is was on the (white) board. Jansma commented that she has a picture of what was on the white board.

MTA – Audio recordings – J. Lippert commented “Audio recordings of meetings are used to assist in preparation of the minutes. They are public documents subject to disclosures from the time of the recording until minutes are approved and/or corrected which is five business days after the meeting at which the minutes are approved by public body. If you want to keep the audio recording longer, that would be considered a public document subject to disclosure for the time period it is kept after the minimum time period. Generally, townships that want to keep it longer will create a policy setting that time frame. Otherwise, it is not necessary to create a policy, it can just be deleted 5 days after the meeting at which the minutes are approved. An example was given regarding a three month period between ZBA meetings. Then the audio is a public document for that entire time until five days after approved. The applicants can appeal to court if they do not agree with the ZBA's decision. They must do that within 30 days of the ZBA's decision. The 30 day limit does not begin until the minutes are approved or there is a procedure that confirms at the meeting that action is taken.”

MTA- was also consulted (by M. VanderMeyden) regarding how a township board member's conflict of interest should be handled at a township board meeting. It is MTA's recommendation as follows: If a board or commission member has a conflict of interest – he or she should reclude him or herself. This is more than simply abstaining from voting. It means that a person must remove him or herself physically from participating in any discussions, hearings, deliberations and information gathering regarding that decision. In addition to abstaining from voting on a decision, MTA legal counsels recommend that the person remove him or herself from the head table any time the application or issue is addressed, but the person is not required to leave the room. J. Lippert referred to a Citizen's Planner MSU class training – said board members (involved in a conflict) should be in hallway and close the door.

Website – Audio: Marge VanderMeyden contacted Navid (the website guru from Ocean Omega) regarding if the audio from the meetings could be put on the website. He (Navid) wasn't sure if it could be done. Navid noted that if it could be done, it would slow the website down considerably. Englerth noted that live stream meetings occur in the county and V. Conner confirmed this and added that the recordings are kept as well.

Invoice Register -

Motion by Jansma with support from VandenBerg to approve current invoice register of 3/09/2018 .In the Amount of \$17,378.35 ROLL CALL: Jansma: yes, Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Boysen: yes, VandenBerg: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence received from Clifford Bloom regarding Gun Lake/ Spoor Marina (February 2018) – a Public notice, not a permit- increasing of dockage.

Citizens appearing before BOT –regarding a summary of rules governing citizen participation at township board of trustees- a suggestion to go on back side of agendas.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Greg Purcell, Chairman – Presented by Frank Fiala

F. Fiala presented a Request for up to 4 special meetings for 2018 for the Planning Commission. Englerth asked for time to think about the request. Englerth would like to add some Joint meetings into the requested meetings- if possible.

Upcoming training on March 22 – for ZBA – C. Strickland commented on the advantages of having ZBA members attend.

F. Fiala thinks it is great to have advocates (a board member and possibly a PC member) for special projects, mentioning the Bakery (Stickmanns) and possibly YS Golf Course.

2017 – CIP – Fiala would like to give each board member a copy (2017). (CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) Reports were distributed.) Fiala would like to have board members acknowledge receipt of the CIP.

Motion Jansma with support from Englerth to accept the 2017 CIP Report (the members have the report). All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Englerth commented that he felt that the 30% coverage is obsolete. (Referring to a recent ZBA item and addressed previously by R. Heilman in tonight’s meeting.) “The Board is to direct the PC” commented Englerth. The former purpose for coverage requirements was for drain fields. Englerth commented that a new ordinance is in place for water run-off. It will be a discussion point at the PC meeting. Fiala commented that the coverage percentage is on the PC agenda. Brief discussion took place regarding the Board taking more ownership in directing or dictating what it wants the PC to work on.

Motion by Englerth with support from Jansma to direct PC to work on the lot coverage requirement of the ordinance. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk commented that **A rezone request** will come before the PC board on March 15- Rural AG to RR- to divide property. (Public Notice has been made).

Meetings- Scheduled this evening:

***Work Shop Meeting: March 21st Wed. At 6 p.m. Worksession #3 - Items on Agenda:**

- *2 Board Action items from GLASWA - Ordinance /Sewer improvements contract*
- *Fire millage – Language for proposal- EMS Services to include ambulance*

***Special Meeting: Monday, March 26th – 6 p.m.: Agenda items will be:**

Minutes of Feb. 8th – 6 p.m. minutes / Closed Session of 2/19/18 minutes/ Attorney bills

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**PLANNING
COMMISSION**

**Presented by Frank
Fiala**

**MOTION to ACCEPT
the 2017 CIP Report.**

**MOTION
to direct PC to work
on the lot coverage
requirement of the
ordinance.**

Barry County Parks & Rec/Grant: A. Jansma and M. Englerth will work on grant. J. Lippert commented that she would like grant to go toward picnic tables.

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NEW/OLD BUSINESS/ BOARD COMMENT:

S. Vandenberg asked about Bill Medendorp's request (made during Public Comment). Should the board be giving B. Medendorp information regarding getting on the agenda for the next meeting?

NEW/OLD BUSINESS/ BOARD COMMENT:

Boysen asked that B. Medendorp write down his request for information asked for in his public comment. Medendorp agreed and commented, "I'll make a copy and go from there."

J. Lippert -commented to **B. Medendorp**, "I have a kit already for you (FOIA Kit)."

A. Jansma commented that all the meeting information from GLASWA was in a separate folder with a cover letter.

J. Lippert commented that back in February when we had a new zoning person come on board our policy was to go with a form in which #4 says on the copy "Stamp copy and black out name and address of the complaintant." J. Lippert commented that this was done in 2015 – with J. Lohrstorfer, former YS Attorney. "Since FOIA has come up we have struck out #4 – and Eric Thompson has given out a new complaint form with a box to mark – "I wish to remain anonymous", commented Lippert. J. Lippert commented that these are the forms being updated and being used currently. Discussion briefly occurred on not having complaints anonymous. Englerth commented that this (topic) was not on the agenda.

Mark Englerth will contact Eric Thompson and revise complaint to be signed and not anonymous. M. Englerth confirmed agreement with this (informal motion) by saying: "All in favor, say "Aye". (There were no "Nays").

Full audio recording of this meeting which is to accompany the written minutes (for this meeting) has been downloaded on the township's computer system under "3.8.18 BOT".

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Lippert with support from Boysen to adjourn at 9:48 p.m. Approved by all. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted:
Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary 3-8-18

Date: jcl draft distributed 3-15-18

Approved :April 12, 2018

Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk



Yankee Springs Township

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GENERAL FUND

Wednesday-February 28, 2018

Balance Brought Forward

Receipts February 2018

Current Levy

Current Levy Fire Millage

Trailer Park Fees

Administration Fee Tax Collections

Cable Franchise Fee

Interest G F February 2018

February Special Assessments

February Weed Assessments

PCI

Misc Revenue -FOIA-941 Refund

Zoning Fees

Cemetary Lots

November 2017 Election Reimbursement

Misc Revenue (Overpayments Under 1.00)

Total Receipts

Balance

Treasurer

alicejansma@yankeespringstwp.org

\$ 996,570.97

\$	23,442.24
\$	13,084.82
\$	255.50
\$	5,896.30
\$	17,579.64
\$	329.69
\$	13,202.24
\$	4,619.87
\$	6,560.00
\$	745.40
\$	400.00
\$	100.00
\$	3,712.62
\$	1.83

\$89,930.15

\$ 1,086,501.12

DISBURSEMENTS February 2018

Checks 914493-914515

Checks 914516-914539

Checks 914476 Returned Void

Payroll ck void

February Payroll cks 6157-6176

Payroll Federal with-holding January 2018 2/13/2018

Total Disbursements

\$	19,588.00
\$	44,272.09
\$	(125.00)
	VOID
\$	10,035.87
\$	2,604.32

\$ 76,375.28

Balance

\$ 1,010,125.84

FIRE EQUIPMENT PURCHASE FUND

Balance Brought Forward February 1, 2018

Interest February 2018

Total

\$634,741.08

\$527.88

\$635,268.96

VETERANS MEMORIAL FUND

Balance Brought Forward February 1, 2018

Interest February 2018

Brick purchase and donation February 2018

Total

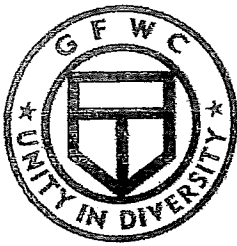
\$	20,831.29
\$	0.49
\$	550.00

\$21,381.78

Respectfully Submitted

Alice Jansma - Treasurer

aj/3-2-2018



GFWC Gun Lake Area Inc

PO Box 286, Shelbyville MI 49433

March 8, 2018

TO: Yankee Springs Township Board of Trustees
 FROM: General Federation of Women's Clubs-Gun Lake Area, Inc.
 RE: Proposal for Yankee Springs Township Park Berm Maintenance
 For calendar year 2018

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

1. Continue to maintain, plant, water and weed 6 berms.
2. Continue new plantings as necessary.
3. Said maintenance will be conducted by the members of GFWC – Gun Lake Area.
4. Proposal does not include purchasing, or the spreading of mulch.
5. This proposal does not include mowing, snow removal or trash removal.

Proposal..... \$2,000

This fee is to be paid once yearly in December, and is renewable if agreeable to both parties.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Kreple

Pat Kreple, Vice President
GFWC – Gun Lake Area, Inc.

*3.10.18 - appraised
Jasna VandenBerg*

Summit Park

Needs Mulch around the berms

101 Women in Membership

*Scholarships
4 Area Schools -*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the treasurer may elect to have certificates and other evidence of investments held by a financial institution, provided that the financial institution presents to the township treasurer sufficient documentation and acknowledgment of the investment instruments held on behalf of the township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the treasurer shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with the proper execution and management of township investments, or that could impair the treasurer's ability to make impartial investment decisions. (Public Act 213 of 2007, updated)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the treasurer shall quarterly provide a written report to the township board concerning the investment of township funds. (Public Act 213 of 2007, updated)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the township will comply with all applicable statutes related to public fund investments. Any provisions of this resolution in conflict with applicable statutes is void.

Motion by: Jansma, Second by Beper to adopt Resolution number 03.03.2018

YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP INVESTMENT AND DEPOSITORY POLICY

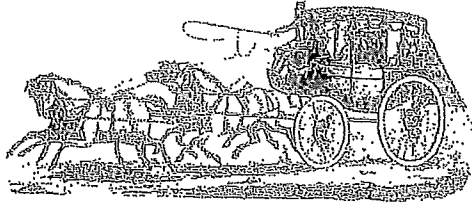
Roll Call: Yeas: Jansma, Lippert, Englerth, Beper, Vandenberg
Nays: Ø

The Supervisor declared the policy adopted.

Janice C. Lippert
Janice C. Lippert, Yankee Springs Township Clerk

I Janice C. Lippert, Clerk of Yankee Springs Township, do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP INVESTMENT AND DEPOSITORY POLICY adopted by the township board at the regular meeting held March 8, 2018, at which meeting all members were present; and that the meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act for the State of Michigan and the members of the Board votes as herein set forth.

Janice C. Lippert
Janice C. Lippert, Yankee Springs Township Clerk



Township of Yankee Springs

284 N. BRIGGS ROAD – MIDDLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 49833
269-795-9091 / FAX 269-795-2388

TOWNSHIP BOARD RESOLUTION TO ADOPT POVERTY EXEMPTION INCOME GUIDELINES AND ASSET TEST RESOLUTION NO. 03-01-2018

Office of Clerk

WHEREAS, the homestead of persons who, in the judgment of the Supervisor and Board of Review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation under the General Property Tax Act; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board is required by Section 7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL 211 7u), to adopt guidelines for poverty exemptions;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED pursuant to MCL 211 7u, that Yankee Springs Township, Barry County, adopts the following guidelines for the Supervisor and Board of Review to implement.

The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediate preceding year.

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

1. Be an owner of and occupy as a homestead the property for which an Exemption is requested.
2. File a claim with the Supervisor or Board of Review, accompanied by Federal And State income tax returns for all persons residing in the homestead, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year.
3. Produce a valid drivers' license or other form of identification if requested.
4. Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested, if requested.
5. Meet the current Federal poverty income guidelines (2018) as defined and determined annually by United State Office of Management and Budget.

(Continued Page 1 of 2... Resolution No. 03-01-2018 (Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines & Asset Test))

Page 2 of 2 Continued:

Thank you and let me know if you need further assistance.

Bethel Skinker, P.E
Lansing District Office Supervisor
Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance
Department of Environmental Quality
517-290-0686

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
FOR PLANNING AND EVALUATION

POVERTY GUIDELINES

HOME • TOPICS • POVERTY • POVERTY GUIDELINES

U.S. FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES USED TO DETERMINE FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN FEDERAL PROGRAMS

There are two slightly different versions of the federal poverty measure: poverty thresholds and poverty guidelines.

The **poverty thresholds** are the original version of the federal poverty measure. They are updated each year by the **Census Bureau**. The thresholds are used mainly for **statistical** purposes — for instance, preparing estimates of the number of Americans in poverty each year. (In other words, all official poverty population figures are calculated using the poverty thresholds, not the guidelines.) Poverty thresholds since 1973 (and for selected earlier years) and weighted average poverty thresholds since 1959 are available on the Census Bureau's Web site. For an example of how the Census Bureau applies the thresholds to a family's income to determine its poverty status, see "How the Census Bureau Measures Poverty" on the Census Bureau's web site.

The **poverty guidelines** are the other version of the federal poverty measure. They are issued each year in the Federal Register by the **Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)**. The guidelines are a simplification of the poverty thresholds for use for **administrative** purposes — for instance, determining financial eligibility for certain federal programs.

The poverty guidelines are sometimes loosely referred to as the "federal poverty level" (FPL), but that phrase is ambiguous and should be avoided, especially in situations (e.g., legislative or administrative) where precision is important.

Key differences between poverty thresholds and poverty guidelines are outlined in a table under Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). See also the discussion of this topic on the Institute for Research on Poverty's web site.

The January 2018 poverty guidelines are calculated by taking the 2016 Census Bureau's poverty thresholds and adjusting them for price changes between 2016 and 2017 using the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U). The poverty thresholds used by the Census Bureau for statistical purposes are complex and are not composed of standardized increments between family sizes. Since many program officials prefer to use guidelines with uniform increments across family sizes, the poverty guidelines include rounding and standardizing adjustments in the formula.

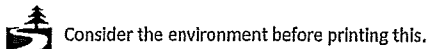
Janice Lippert

From: Cathy Mosier <cmosier@yescommunities.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 2:09 PM
To: Janice Lippert
Subject: FW: Requested Forms - Change of Ownership
Attachments: To Recive Approval to Transfer.doc; Draft Resolution Yankee Springs Meadows.doc

Good afternoon Jan,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me. As discussed below is the email I received from the DEQ regarding the necessity of a Resolution from the Township to complete our application to transfer ownership of the PWS to YES Yankee Springs, LLC. I have revised the Draft Resolution to include the owning information of Yankee Springs Meadows. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Kindest regards,
Cathy
Catherine Mosier
Licensing Compliance Coordinator
1900 16th Street, Suite 950
Denver, CO 80202
303.577.5703 ph
303.468.0525 fax



From: Skinker, Bethel (DEQ) [mailto:SKINKERB@michigan.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2018 10:22 AM
To: Cathy Mosier <cmosier@yescommunities.com>
Cc: Joseph, Mark (DEQ) <JOSEPHM1@michigan.gov>; Swendsen, Kurt (DEQ) <SWENDSENK@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Requested Forms - Change of Ownership

Hi Cathy,

I forgot to mention that you also need to provide this office, documentation from the Local Unit of Government refusing ownership and operation of the water systems in the MHC that you processing for licensing. Please see attached form and guidance material.

Thank you and let me know if you have questions.

Bethel

From: Cathy Mosier [mailto:cmosier@yescommunities.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 10:09 AM

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\$52,980

2018 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR HAWAII**PERSONS IN FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD****POVERTY GUIDELINE**

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,970 for each additional person.

1

\$13,960

2

\$18,930

3

\$23,900

4

\$28,870

5

\$33,840

6

\$38,810

7

\$43,780

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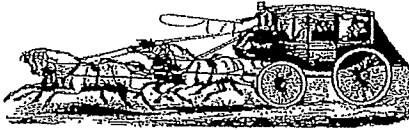
\$48,750

The separate poverty guidelines for Alaska and Hawaii reflect Office of Economic Opportunity administrative practice beginning in the 1966-1970 period. Note that the poverty thresholds — the original version of the poverty measure — have never had separate figures for Alaska and Hawaii. The poverty guidelines are not defined for Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and Palau. In cases in which a Federal program using the poverty guidelines serves any of those jurisdictions, the Federal office which administers the program is responsible for deciding whether to use the contiguous-states-and-D.C. guidelines for those jurisdictions or to follow some other procedure.

The poverty guidelines apply to both aged and non-aged units. The guidelines have never had an aged/non-aged distinction; only the Census Bureau (statistical) poverty thresholds have separate figures for aged and non-aged one-person and two-person units.

Programs using the guidelines (or percentage multiples of the guidelines — for instance, 125 percent or 185 percent of the guidelines) in determining eligibility include Head Start, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the National School Lunch Program, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, and the Children's Health Insurance Program. Note that in general, cash public assistance programs (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

SEE ATTACHED INFORMATION FOR THIS RESOLUTION



Yankee Springs Township

284 N. BRIGGS ROAD- MIDDLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 49333
269-795-9091 / FAX 269-795-2388

RESOLUTION NO. 03-02-18

WHEREAS, YES Yankee Springs, LLC owns and operates a drinking water system serving Yankee Springs Meadows, located at 1330 Patterson Rd., Wayland, MI, 49348; Section 6, Town 3, Range 10
And,

WHEREAS, YES Yankee Springs, LLC possesses the ability and willingness to continue effective operation and maintenance of said system; and

WHEREAS, Yankee Springs Township recognizes the need for effective and continued operation and maintenance of said system to protect the public health; and

WHEREAS, Yankee Springs Township deems it impractical for the Township to own, operate, and administer this particular drinking water supply;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Yankee Springs Township refuses to accept ownership of or operation, maintenance, and administrative responsibilities for said particular drinking water supply. Yankee Springs Township endorses the application of YES Yankee Springs, LLC to continue these responsibilities under state permit.

Vandenberg
Moved by:

Duiper
Supported by:

Upon Roll Call Vote, the following voted "Aye": Jansma

Lippert, Englund, Duiper,
Vandenberg.

"Nay" None

Absent:

CERTIFICATE

I, Janice C. Lippert, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Yankee Springs Township, Barry County, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board Of said Township at the Regular Meeting of said Board held on March 08-2018 at which meeting a quorum was present by a roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; the said resolution was ordered to take Immediate effect.

Dated: March 08-2018

Janice C. Lippert, Clerk

Janice C. Lippert

Resolution No. 03-02-2018

and Supplemental Security Income) do NOT use the poverty guidelines in determining eligibility. The Earned Income Tax Credit program also does NOT use the poverty guidelines to determine eligibility. For a more detailed list of programs that do and don't use the guidelines, see the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

The poverty guidelines (unlike the poverty thresholds) are designated by the year in which they are issued. For instance, the guidelines issued in January 2016 are designated the 2016 poverty guidelines. However, the 2016 HHS poverty guidelines only reflect price changes through calendar year 2015; accordingly, they are approximately equal to the Census Bureau poverty thresholds for calendar year 2015. (The 2015 thresholds are expected to be issued in final form in September 2016; a preliminary version of the 2015 thresholds is now available from the Census Bureau.)

The poverty guidelines may be formally referenced as "the poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2)."

RESOURCES

- [Prior Poverty Guidelines and Federal Register References Since 1982](#)
- [A chart with percentages \(e.g., 125 percent\) of the guidelines](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) on the Poverty Guidelines and Poverty](#)
 - [Poverty guidelines — gross or net income](#)
 - [The poverty line for a state or city](#)
 - [The number of poor people in a state or city](#)
 - [How the poverty line was developed](#)
- [Further Resources on Poverty Measurement, Poverty Lines, and Their History](#)
- [Mollie Orshansky's career, achievements, and publications](#)
- [ASPE research on poverty](#)
- [The Census Bureau's Poverty Home Page](#)

Public ownership of community water supplies is preferred to private ownership. To that end, Michigan administrative rules are written to allow the local unit of government every opportunity to accept ownership/operation. Each occurrence of ownership transfer provides those opportunities. When public ownership is not feasible, the DEQ is obligated to ensure private owners of public water supplies are able to fulfill the responsibilities of supplying water to the public.

An owner of a community water supply must receive DEQ approval before transferring ownership. To determine whether to approve or deny the transfer, the DEQ needs acknowledgement from the potential new owner of the following requirements:

- Obtain the local unit of government's refusal to accept ownership or operation of the water supply. Since the local unit of government's decision may affect transfer negotiations, it may be in everyone's best interest to obtain this before the transfer. The DEQ can provide a 1-page draft governmental resolution.
- Agree to the Stipulation to Conditions. Briefly, these conditions are:
 - Supply water according to Act 399 and transfer ownership to a governing body by acceptable agreement. Note: this assures that the new owner understands that public ownership is preferred to private ownership of the water system.
 - Provide easements or isolation areas and abandon wells (i.e. properly plug wells) as required. Note: a site map showing the boundaries of the property, the well locations, and the isolation areas may be sufficient. The DEQ office may already have this information, but it is the owner's responsibility to demonstrate control of the isolation area.
 - Provide service connections to not more than the permit allows. Note: this is usually not an issue for a community that is completely built out.
 - Receive DEQ approval before transferring ownership. Note: this is a commitment to obtain DEQ approval when the new owner intends to sell the property.
 - Provide contact information of system operators. Note: there can be no time that the community water supply is without a certified operator in charge. In order to maintain continuity, many new owners retain the same certified operator in charge as under the previous owner.
 - Establish and maintain an escrow fund. Note: this is not applicable to licensed facilities such as manufactured housing communities and nursing homes.

HHS POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR 2018

The 2018 poverty guidelines are in effect as of January 13, 2018.

See also the Federal Register notice of the 2018 poverty guidelines, published January 18, 2018

2018 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

PERSONS IN FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD

POVERTY GUIDELINE

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,320 for each additional person.

1	\$12,140
2	\$16,460
3	\$20,780
4	\$25,100
5	\$29,420
6	\$33,740
7	\$38,060
8	\$42,380

2018 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR ALASKA

PERSONS IN FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD

POVERTY GUIDELINE

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,400 for each additional person.

1	\$15,180
2	\$20,580
3	\$25,980
4	\$31,380
5	\$36,780
6	\$42,180
7	\$47,580

To: Skinker, Bethel (DEQ) <SKINKERB@michigan.gov>
Subject: RE: Requested Forms - Change of Ownership

Good morning Bethel,


Thank you very much for this email with the application and the contact information for Nicole. I've reached out to Nicole and she has informed me that as part of the MHP licensing process I will need to include a certificate showing the water and wastewater is in compliance. Would you please let me know what I will need to do to obtain this certification?

I've a question regarding lift stations and retention ponds. Do either of these require oversight by the DEQ and do they require permits?

Thank you in advance for your assistance,
Cathy

Licensing Compliance Coordinator
303.577.5703 ph
303.468.0525 fax



 Consider the environment before printing this.

From: Skinker, Bethel (DEQ) [mailto:SKINKERB@michigan.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 3:16 PM
To: Cathy Mosier <cmosier@yescommunities.com>
Cc: Joseph, Mark (DEQ) <JOSEPHM1@michigan.gov>; Swendsen, Kurt (DEQ) <SWENDSENK@michigan.gov>; Ostrander, Debbie (DEQ) <OSTRANDERD@michigan.gov>; Sklapsky, Nicole (LARA) <sklapskyn@michigan.gov>
Subject: Requested Forms - Change of Ownership

Hi Cathy,

Please see attached form you requested. Complete the form for each community. Once completed, you will need to have them notarized and submit to the following address:

Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance Division
Lansing District Office, 1st Floor, SW
525 West Allegan Street
P.O. Box 30242
Lansing, MI 48909

Since you are changing ownership, you will need to contact Nicole Sklapsky for licensing requirements. Here's her contact information.

Nicole Sklapsky
LARA/Bureau of Construction Codes
Licensing and Compliance Division
517-241-9316 - Telephone
517-373-8547 - Fax

Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines
& Asset Test – Resolution No. 03-01-2018

6. Meet additional eligibility requirements as determined by the Township Board, including: Asset ceiling to include one residence, two cars, one recreational vehicle, intangible assets and savings less than \$5,000.00

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and Federal Guidelines in granting or denying an exemption, unless the Board of Review determines there are substantial and compelling reasons why there should be a deviation from the policy and Federal guidelines and these are communicated in writing to the claimant.

The foregoing resolution offered by Board member: Janice C. Lippert and supported by Board member: Janice C. Lippert.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye": Janice C. Lippert, Englerth, Buysen, Vanderberg
"Nay" None
Absent:

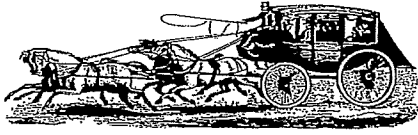
The Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted - Resolution NO. 03-01-2018

Supervisor Mark E. Englerth Mark E. Englerth

CERTIFICATE

I, Janice C. Lippert, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Yankee Springs Township, Barry County, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board of said Township at the Regular Meeting of said Board held on March 08, 2018 at which meeting a quorum was present by a roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

Clerk: Janice C. Lippert
Janice C. Lippert



Yankee Springs Township

284 N. BRIGGS ROAD- MIDDLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 49333
269-795-9091 / FAX 269-795-2388

Treasurer

alicejansma@yankeespringstwp.org

Res No. 03.03.18

INVESTMENT AND DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION FOR YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Board of Yankee Springs Township, Barry County, in exercising its fiduciary responsibilities, desires to safeguard the funds of the township that may be invested from time to time, and

WHEREAS, Public Act 77 of 1989 (MCL 41.77) requires that the township board designate the banks or depositories for the money belonging to the township, including the time for which the deposits shall be made and all details for carrying into effect the authority given in this act, and

WHEREAS, Public Act 196 of 1997 (MCL 129.91, *et seq*) requires township boards, in consultation with the township treasurer, to adopt an investment policy, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That this policy is applicable to all public funds belonging to Yankee Springs Township and in the custody of the township treasurer.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the board approves the following financial institutions as depositories of township funds:

HASTINGS CITY BANK
UNITED BANK OF MICHIGAN
CHEMICAL BANK

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the treasurer may invest township funds in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a bank but only if the bank meets all criteria as a depository of public funds contained in state law. The standard of prudence to be used shall be the "fiduciary" standard and shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the prior approval of the township board shall be required for the treasurer to invest in any other lawful investment instruments. The township board standard of prudence shall be the "fiduciary" standard, which shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio.

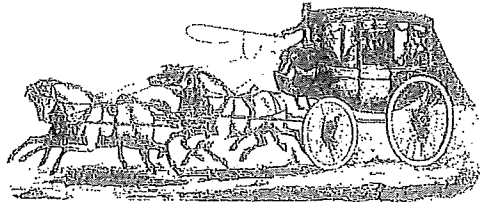
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That decisions and actions involving the township's investment portfolio shall meet the following criteria:

Safety: Safety of principal is the foremost objective of Yankee Springs Township's investment practices

Diversification: The investments shall be diversified by avoiding over concentration in securities from a specific issuer or business sector, excluding U. S. Treasury securities and insured certificates of deposits.

Liquidity: The investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that may be reasonably anticipated.

Return on Investment: Return of investment is of secondary importance compared to Safety and Liquidity objectives. Investments shall be selected to obtain a market average rate of return. The core of investments is limited to relatively low risk securities.



Township of Yankee Springs

284 N. BRIGGS ROAD – MIDDLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 49338
269-795-9091 / FAX 269-795-2388

Date: February 28, 2018

Office of Clerk

To: Township Board of Trustees:

From: Mark Englerth, Supervisor
Alice Jansma, Treasurer
Janice C. Lippert, Clerk *JCL*
Trustee Shanon Vandenberg
Trustee Michael Boysen

On February 19th, 2018 I voluntarily withdrew from my role as FOIA Coordinator. It was effective February 22, 2018.

I had recommended Marge VanderMeyden, Deputy Clerk be appointed as FOIA Coordinator. She has declined. I then asked Alice Jansma, Treasurer. She has declined.

I am now recommending Sandra Marcukaitis, Zoning Administrator Assistant. Sandy is in the office daily. Also, she has attended a MTA Conference where FOIA procedure was a session.

I have withdrawn from my duties as FOIA Coordinator in order to STOP the harassment of me and my family. The harassment comes from ONE person but it is likely supported, aided and encouraged by others.

From now on, the hatred and falsehoods can only be directed at the system, not at me personally.

It is my hope that the Township Board will also disengage from this animosity and will again focus on productive administration.

*attach to
Minutes
3.8.18
/JCL*