

<p style="text-align: center;">YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Regular Board Meeting</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday, October 9, 2014</u> 7:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yankee Springs Township Hall 284 North Briggs Road, Middleville, Michigan 49333</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES</p>	<p>FINAL MINUTES Approved Nov 13, 2014</p>
<p>Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM by Supervisor Mark Englerth.</p> <p>Supervisor Englerth explained that just prior to this meeting two other special assessment hearing meetings had already taken place in which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited at both meetings.</p> <p><u>Roll Call</u>: Jerkatis, J. Lippert, Englerth, Rottschafer, Campbell.</p> <p><u>Staff Present</u>: Alice Jansma, Frank Fiala, Jim Orr - Constable</p> <p><u>Visitors</u>: 9 (not including staff present).</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p> <p>PLEDGE ROLL CALL</p>
<p><u>ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:</u></p> <p>Add: To Treasurer's Report: Proposal to drop 3% penalty on Winter tax for period Feb. 15 – February 28, 2015.</p> <p>Add: To Clerk's Report: Resolution for extension of time for contract with TTES.</p> <p>Add: To Clerk's Report: Received proposal from A-1 Asphalt for striping of parking lots.</p> <p>Add: To Clerk's Report: Reading of a letter of complaint.</p>	<p><u>ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA</u></p>
<p><u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS:</u></p> <p><u>Craig Stolsonburg, Barry County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2015 Proposed Budget is available for the public to view at: barrycounty.org or at the administrator's or clerk's office. Public hearing is scheduled for October 28, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. This includes one of the wish list item's of the Road Commission (truck). • Began the facilities process with hopes to finish in March 2015. • Just started contract negotiations. <p><u>Brian Peets of M-DOT, Supervisor of Maintenance in Barry County:</u> was introduced by Frank Fiala. B. Peets mentioned fatalities in the past three years. Peets spoke of recent signage put in place. He spoke of M-179 and road work being done, including tree trimming on a designated Heritage Route for safety reasons. S-Curves were mentioned. M. Englerth mentioned intergovernmental cooperation and former road history. Englerth thanked both Peets and Fiala for their work. Next October, B. Peets commented that it (maintenance of M-179) will be going to the highway (US-131) instead of just to the BP. Discussion occurred about previous stone treatment applied to the road (west of Patterson), and the condition of what the road will be like this winter.</p> <p>Speed limit reduction on M-179 was mentioned as something that the township board</p>	<p><u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS</u></p> <p><u>Craig Stolsonburg, Barry County Board of Commissioners</u></p> <p><u>Brian Peets of M-DOT, Supervisor of Maintenance in Barry County</u></p> <p>Page 1 of 6 YST Bd Trustees 10/9/14</p>

would like to see per Jerkatis. TSC – Transportation Service Centers are involved with these decisions. The Township would have to contact Peets, then Peets contacts the TSC which contacts Lansing, then Lansing comes out to do a traffic count. It was mentioned that M-179 in front of the casino is 45 mph. Money cuts have limited work being done to maintain and clear roads (free from debris). It was noted that the County Road Commission(s) maintain Patterson Rd. Peets lives in the area and commented that he is on call 24/7. J. Lippert mentioned the speed limit as well. A petition could be signed and brought to Peets who would repeat the process noted above. Discussion also occurred on a stoplight vs. a 4 way stop at Patterson and M-179.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF VISITORS cont'd**

Public Hearing for Middleville Tool & Die, Inc. (Parcel No. 08-16-006-003-00)

**Public Hearing for
Middleville Tool & Die, Inc.
(Parcel No. 08-16-006-003-00)**

Motion by Rottschafer with support from Campbell to open the public hearing for Middleville Tool & Die Company, Inc.'s request for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for a new addition to its facility. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Open of Public Hearing at 7:35 p.m.

Opening of Public Hearing

Valerie Byrnes described the request of Middleville Tool & Die at this public hearing.

Dan Scheuerman, Yankee Springs Assessor, was on hand to answer any questions from the board and public. It was noted the requested tax abatement would be on the new expansion only.

Public Notice was read by Mark Englerth that appeared in the newspaper for this evening's public hearing.

Resolution No. 08-14-2014 (Resolution to establish an industrial development district), had taken place previously (in August) in accordance with tax abatement requirements set forth through P.A. 198.

Jan Lippert read the Resolution for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for new addition to its facility.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Englerth commented that basically what was being done was putting together an avenue and opportunity that Middleville T & D can compete in the same environment whether they were building the facility in Freeport, or Middleville; we (Yankee Springs) wanted them to have the same privileges. V. Byrnes commented on this measure allowing Middleville T & D to be competitive within our community. M. Englerth commented on approximately \$500 K (tax-wise) coming into the community due to Middleville's T & D presence in the past 12 years.

Gary Middleton explained the products that the company manufactures.

Motion by Rottschafer with support from Campbell to close the public hearing. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from Campbell to approve and adopt Resolution For Middleville Tool & Die Company, Inc., Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate to approve the application of Middleville Tool & Die Company, Inc. for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for a new addition to its facility. **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

RECESS: 8:03 p.m. RESUME: 8:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Lippert with support from Campbell to approve minutes of Regular meeting of September 11, 2014 as presented. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Rottschafer with support from Campbell to approve minutes of September 24, 2014 Board Work Session meeting as presented. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Jerkatis

Motion by Englerth with support from Rottschafer to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from J. Lippert to not impose the additional 3% penalty fee for taxes paid on or after February 15 through March 2, 2015 for the tax year 2014 (this would be Resolution No. 10-02-14 **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

CLERK'S REPORT: J. Lippert

Motion by J. Lippert with support from Jerkatis to approve payroll checks #5214-5234 dated 10/1/14 for the total amount of \$12,554.86 which includes EFT of \$2,527.92. **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Office Copier- proposals are coming in for a new copier. This copier includes scanner and fax as well. Discussion occurred on individual printers/fax machines/scanners at separate work stations, and leasing vs. purchasing. Consensus was to get a model in to use for the mean time.

YS Election Commission Meeting will take place immediately after close of tonight's Regular Board meeting.

Motion to approve and adopt Resolution to approve the application of Middleville Tool & Die Company, Inc. for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for a new addition to its facility. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of Sept. 11 and 24th approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Jerkatis

Treasurer's Report Approved

CLERK'S REPORT: J. Lippert

Payroll Approved

Accuracy Test for upcoming election to be performed October 16, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. at Thornapple Township.

CLERK'S REPORT: J. Lippert continued:

Opening of Snow Removal bid (1 bid received) for DK Landscaping.

Bid: DK Landscape – of Shelbyville, MI **\$55 per plow at Township Hall** will plow after 2" or more of snow unless otherwise called. Same for fire station.

\$30 at YS Twp. Park, Walking Path \$40 per time

\$180 every time if ALL (everything) is plowed. A plow truck would plow the path. It was noted that the Fire barn is priority #1 for plowing.

Salt 80\$ per application upon request.

D. Kok thanked Roger Rottschafer for plowing the fire station last year. D. Kok was not aware that it was Roger plowing.

Motion by Englerth with support from Jerkatis to approve DK Landscaping's snowplow bid. **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Snowplow bid, DK Landscaping.

For the record: DK Landscaping's certificate of liability insurance is on file at the township office per J. Lippert.

No PCI Report as of yet.

Accounts Payable Checks:

Motion by Englerth with support from Rottschafer to approve Accounts Payable Check #s 912701-722 (dated 9/25/14 through 10/9/14) for the amount of \$15,326.28. **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Accounts Payable Approved

Clerk presented Resolution for Extension of Time For TTES (an extension of time be continued as both parties continue discussions to work toward completing a fire protection service contract), as suggested from the meeting of October 7, 2014 with Dr. Harvey.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from Rottschafer to accept a Resolution for the extension of time for TTES. **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion made and supported (continue discussions toward completing a fire protection service contract)

DEQ - Public notice for 4172 England Drive, Gun Lake – Seawall request
Also a public notice for 11668 Barlow Lake Rd., for a seawall request.
A permit was issued to C. Bremer at 540 Bluff Drive

Striping –

Motion by Jerkatis with support of Lippert to allow striping of parking lots of fire station and township hall for the amount of \$1,276.00 (\$550 Striping for fire station, and \$726 for township). **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: no, Rottschafer: no, Campbell: no. Yes: 2, No: 3. MOTION FAILED.

Motion for parking lot striping. Motion Failed.

Discussion occurred regarding striping for the upcoming election, and the potential need of redoing the striping after snowplowing.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Frank Fiala

- 1) Sign ordinance has had public hearing, and front page has been cleared up. Fiala asked that questions be jotted down on BOT's documents and brought to the PC meeting or have it turned in beforehand. Bruce Campbell mentioned having notes/questions before the next meeting.
- 2) Article XII – Being worked on by the PC.
- 3) Granny flats- not an easy issue to wrestle with. PC is still defining the procedure that it will take. Definition of Granny flat was discussed.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Larry Knowles, ZA

September Site Plan Reviews/Complaints (forthcoming).

SUPERVISOR REPORT- MARK ENGLERTH

Dr. Lynn Harvey's Report on October 7, 2014

TTES Meeting with Mr. Bremer, two trustees and Chief Middleton today - attended by Rottschafer and Englerth

Sept. Water Report

Island Drive Culvert – Englerth has been communicating with Road Commission. The Road Commission hopes to accomplish this job in one day. Alternatives ways of transportation for residents are set in place if need be.

Dry Hydrant: The plan is on for installing dry hydrant (one) by Turner Lake-this month.

Veteran's Memorial Event – Oktoberfest at the YS Golf Course – Mike Cunningham was not at meeting this evening but was instrumental in setting up this fundraiser. Englerth noted that there will be change in sign/advertising within next five days or so.

Tulip bulbs – quite a few bulbs have been planted already at the YS Twp. Park.

Roofing – The roofing job is weather tight for now with hopes to be completed in 2 to 3 weeks. Contractor brought in shop vac and fans when flashing was cut away at the eve and water damage occurred. Dan and Marge worked on drying out papers.

Light issue was brought up with roofing work done, lighting on building was taken down, and pole through roof was removed. Mercury vapor light was taken down. Darkness of parking lot was mentioned as well as election night.

Walkable communities – the contract has been signed and work has commenced on the contracted study.

CLOSED SESSION

M. Englerth commented on a 5:00 p.m. notice today of an option to purchase of real estate.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Frank Fiala

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Larry Knowles, ZA

SUPERVISOR UPDATE: Mark Englerth

CLOSED SESSION at 8:55 p.m.

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8:55 RECESS to Closed Session

OPEN SESSION RESUMES: at 9:50 p.m.

All five board members present.

Motion by Englerth with support from Rottschafer to continue to support the \$3000 commitment regardless if the Inter-county Drain Board financially supports the reimbursement or not, and to put the option in place to safeguard the interests of the people on the Cuddy Drain within Yankee Springs Township. **Roll Call:** Jerkatis: no, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 4, No: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

Letter of complaint was received from resident Clare Tripp of 11991 Lakeridge Drive, Wayland, addressed to the Township Board. Location of complaint was the YS Fire Station on Payne Lake Rd.

The complaint, read by J. Lippert, regarded two junk cars that are spray painted at the fire station. The letter mentioned: "It is a disgrace and the township board is not enforcing the ordinance to not remove this kind of trash. It is disrespectful to the people of the township to have this eyesore in front of the station. We are a township of pride and (there is) no honor in this to our vets... Shame on you, Board Members.... (Signed) The people of Yankee Springs Township (per C. Tripp). Brief discussion occurred.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Campbell with support from Jerkatis to adjourn at 9:54 p.m. Approved by all.

*******Immediately Following Adjournment*******

Yankee Springs Township Election Commission Meeting of October 9, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 p.m.

Commission Members: Chair: Janice C. Lippert, Clerk
Supervisor: Mark Englerth
Treasurer: John J. Jerkatis (All Present)

Clerk Lippert read the list of Gubernatorial Yankee Springs Township Election Inspectors for the election of Nov. 4, 2014 (both precincts).

Receiving Board was noted as well.

Motion by J. Lippert with support from Englerth to support workers/inspectors as listed. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

With no further business at hand, meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: _____ Date: _____
Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary 10/14/14 Approved : Nov. 13, 2014

OPEN SESSION RESUMES:

at 9:50 p.m.

OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

Yankee Springs Township Election Commission Meeting of October 9, 2014

Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk