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Regular Meeting	APPROVED:
	1-20-11 as presented
Thursday, 16 December 2010	_
Yankee Springs Township Hall	Transmitted 12-29-10
284 North Briggs Road, Middleville, Michigan 49333	via email & drop-off @ hall
MINUTES	
Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Frank Fiala,	CALL TO ORDER
Chairperson.	PLEDGE OF
Present: Gordon Wells, Pat Jansens, Bruce Cook, Cathy	ALLEGIANCE
Strickland, Frank Fiala, Al Schwennesen and Greg Purcell.	ROLL CALL
Bob Lippert, Zoning Adm., and 5 visitors.	
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Fiala advised that Greg Milliken is unable to attend tonight's	
meeting.	
Fiala advised that Bruce Cook submitted his resignation	
from the Planning Commission to the Township Board.	
ELECTION OF OFFICERS/REPRESENTATIVES:	ELECTION OF
Strickland nominated Fiala as Chairperson. Second by	OFFICERS - 2011
Jansens. Motion to accept. Approved by all. Motion	
carried.	
Wells nominated Jansens as Vice Chairperson. Second by	
Schwennesen. Motion to accept. Approved by all. Motion	
carried.	
Schwennesen nominated Strickland as Secretary. Second by	
Jansens. Motion to accept. Approved by all. Motion	
carried.	
Motion by Jansens to nominate Wells as Representative to	
ZBA. Second by Cook. Approved by all. Motion carried.	
MEETING REPORTS:	MEETING REPORTS
<b>ZBA</b> - Gordon Wells advised the ZBA held very few	
meetings this year.	
<b>Board</b> - Al Schwennesen advised that the state is going to	
change the open burning ordinance, discussion regarding	
Sand Bar signage not meeting ordinance requirements, Joint	
meeting scheduled for January 18, 2011.	
Zoning Administrator – Bob Lippert advised on Site Plan	
Reviews, complaints, FEMA report.	
PUBLIC COMMENT: None.	PUBLIC COMMENT
APPROVAL of MINUTES: Motion by Schwennesen to	APPROVAL of MINUTES
approve the November 18, 2010, meeting minutes. Second	2 2 2 4 3
by Wells. Approved by all. Motion carried.	

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McKENNA BILLING: Motion by Wells to confirm the November 2010 billing from McKenna Associates. Second by Jansens. Approved by all. Motion carried.	McKENNA BILLING
NEW BUSINESS: Discussion regarding Greg Milliken's participation and attendance at meetings – PC members support having him attend all meetings. Motion by Wells to recommend to the Twp. the continuation of Greg Milliken and his services as well as attendance at the meetings. Second by Cook. Approved by all. Motion carried.  Annual Reports for PC & ZBA – update.	NEW BUSINESS
Review of attendance. Synopsis of accomplishments.  Discussion regarding Joint Meeting/Goals & Objectives. Review of list.	
OLD BUSINESS: Portable Businesses Review of Temporary Charitable Use Permit Form. Administrative procedure for charitable exceptions – review. Fiala polled the PC members: Strickland suggested that not for profit entities be excluded. Wells and Jansens both advised they do not support this for charitable causes. Cook feels this seems heavy handed to charitable exception but there needs to be some supervision. Schwennesen feels this is somewhat too strict. Purcell would like to see a happy medium between nothing and overkill. Fiala suggested adding a stipulation that would allow an exception for non-profit groups. Discussion regarding a "hold harmless" clause. Strickland suggested encouraging the groups to simply submit notice of their intent to the Twp. with the same information that is on the application. Wells suggested tabling the topic to allow for Greg Milliken to discuss options.	OLD BUSINESS Portable Businesses

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Motion by Wells to table. Second by Strickland. Approved by all. Motion carried.	
<b>FARMER'S MARKET:</b> Feasibility of consolidated location for a farmer's market – discussion regarding the small number of requests the Township receives annually Recommendation to discuss at the joint meeting.	Farmer's Market
<b>Gravel Mining Standards</b> – to be reviewed at the next meeting.	Gravel Mining Standards
Wind Turbine Ordinance to be reviewed at the next meeting.	Wind Turbine Ordinance
PUBLIC COMMENT: Shane VandenBerg questioned whether the young people in his neighborhood would be required to get a permit to have a lemonade stand.	PUBLIC COMMENT
<b>ADJOURNMENT:</b> There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.	ADJOURNMENT
Respectfully submitted,	
Cathy Strickland, Secretary Date	Katie Hayward, Recording Secretary 12-17-2010