

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WHITE LAKE

Approved Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

April 17, 2012

Supervisor Baroni called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Lilley called the roll:

Present: Gregory Baroni, Supervisor
Terry Lilley, Clerk
Forrest J. Brendel, Treasurer
Todd Birkle, Trustee
Carol Burkard, Trustee
David Lewsley, Trustee
Mike Powell, Trustee

Also Present: Greg Need, Attorney
Sean O'Neil, Planning Director
Amy Bertin, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Susan Mullen, Ken Merrick, 6920 Cooley Lake Road, White Lake, Michigan. They would like the Board to clarify what Ordinances speak to their specific issues and who is the person who oversees the enforcement of such Ordinances. They are concerned that their property is now being flooded, that there has been selective enforcement of Ordinances, that there may be fill contamination coming from ditches that have been cleaned, and feel there is a general decline in their property value due to the actions of their neighbor.

Trustee Burkard commented on the new senior van. It is an awesome van. It rode very smoothly. She was very impressed with the drivers of the van who are very courteous, helpful and friendly.

Supervisor Baroni was invited to the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce meeting. At the end of his presentation, a lady commented on how she would like to thank White Lake for the senior transportation system.

Trustee Birkle would like to clarify some issues regarding items that are donated to the Township. He is not aware of a procedure on who and how donations are accepted, especially if there will be expenditures associated with the donation. A policy might be in order to bring before the Board on grant procedures as to how a department should go about applying for it.

Supervisor Baroni amended the Agenda by removing Items 10F and 10G, Approval of Police and Fire Millage Language; adding Item 10L, Repairs to Tanker #1; moving Item 10L to 10O, Mama Mia Liquor License.

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Brendel, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Burkard to approve the changes to the Agenda. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. LIST OF BILLS**
- B. REVENUE AND EXPENSES**
- C. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
 - 1. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**
 - 2. TREASURER'S REPORT**
 - 3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
 - 4. FIRE DEPARTMENT**
 - 5. BUDGET AMENDMENTS**
 - 6. OVERTIME REPORT**

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Burkard, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Birkle to approve the Consent Agenda. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

Mr. O'Neil informed the Board and residents that the current time frame for the opening of Bed, Bath & Beyond is June 19 and Joann Fabrics is targeting a soft opening date for July 27 with a grand opening on August 9.

PRESENTATION

A. SWEARING IN OF NEW POLICE OFFICER

Chief Harris swore in as a new police officer, Michael Zorza. He began his police career with the Waterford Police Department in 2008 but was laid off in 2010. He maintained his certification as an officer by working part-time for the Keego Harbor Police Department. He holds a bachelor's degree from Ferris State University where he also completed the necessary training for his police certification.

B. AUDITOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Brian Camiller, Auditor with Plante & Moran. There is good news to report. Overall, the financial records of White Lake Township continue to be in excellent shape. You've received an unqualified opinion, which is the highest level of assurance that your auditor can provide. What that means is that the financial statements are complete, they are accurate and they followed the rules as instituted by the accounting profession. White Lake Township has been very proactive as far as cutting costs when possible so there has been a steady reduction in General Fund expenditures over the past four years. Despite declining revenue sources, you've been able to increase the amount in your savings account.

Mr. Camiller also covered briefly the management letter supplied to the Board members. There were only a few areas of concern which is actually very good. Ideally, it would be better to have additional accounting staff to segregate duties. There were three different journal entries found during the audit needing adjustment which is minimal. The last item of concern is the expiring public safety millages. For police and fire together there are eight separate millages that are in the process of expiring over the next two years. Some options to consider are to renew them as they come up, trade in the smaller millages for a larger one or replace them with a public safety assessment. The Township has excellent staff and they do an excellent job. You should be very happy with their performance.

It was MOVED by Trustee Powell, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard to accept the Audit Report. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

MINUTES

- A. MARCH 6, 2012**
- B. MARCH 15, 2012 (Joint Meeting)**
- C. MARCH 20, 2012**

It was MOVED by Trustee Burkard, SUPPORTED by Trustee Powell to approve the Minutes of March 6, 2012, March 15, 2012 w/corrections, and March 20, 2012. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

RESOLUTIONS

- A. RESOLUTION #12-005, SUGDEN LAKE GOOSE ROUND-UP**

It was MOVED by Trustee Birkle, SUPPORTED by Trustee Lewsley to approve Resolution #12-005, Sugden Lake Goose Round-Up. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

OLD BUSINESS

- A. SECOND READING, SOLICITATION ORDINANCE 134**

It was discussed that the legitimacy of the company arranging for solicitation be investigated, such as by the Better Business Bureau, and the actual people knocking on doors have a background check by the police and a license be issued. There should also be a form that people can fill out to apply, a fee established, and the allowable time for solicitation be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

It was MOVED by Trustee Powell, SUPPORTED by Trustee Birkle to Table for additional modifications, Second Reading, Solicitation Ordinance 134. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

NEW BUSINESS

A. FIRST READING, AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 57 (OUTSIDE STORED VEHICLES)

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Birkle to approve moving to Second Reading, Ordinance No. 57 (Outside Stored Vehicles), adding the language, 'except in an enclosed building', and better defining motor vehicle. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (6 yes votes, 1 no vote-Brendel).

B. FIRST READING, ORDINANCE NO. 47 (REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC SHOWS AND EXHIBITIONS)

It was MOVED by Trustee Burkard, SUPPORTED by Trustee Powell to approve moving to Second Reading, Ordinance No. 47, with language modifications to Article IV A, 'It shall be in accordance with relevant Township Ordinances', and Article VI, 'Adequate parking facilities as determined appropriate by the Community Development Department and Police and Fire Departments', and a form and application fee be established. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

C. FIRST READING, AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 126 (UTILITY ORDINANCE).

It was MOVED by Trustee Powell, SUPPORTED by Trustee Birkle to approve moving to Second Reading, Ordinance No. 126 (Utility Ordinance), increasing the bond amount to \$500.00 and taking out the language in Article III, Section 3.01, 'whichever is greater'. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

D. FIRST READING, AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 32-A, TRAFFIC CODE ORDINANCE

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Treasurer Brendel to approve moving to Second Reading, Ordinance No. 32-A, Traffic Code. The MOTION PASSED with a voice vote (7 yes votes).

E. FIRST READING, AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 129

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard to approve moving to Second Reading, Ordinance No. 129. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

H. AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHITE LAKE/OAKLAND CO. (BOARD OF CANVASSERS)

It was MOVED by Trustee Lewsley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard to approve the Agreement

Between White Lake/Oakland Co. (Board of Canvassers). The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

I. HAWLEY PARK SWING SET PURCHASE

It was MOVED by Trustee Birkle, SUPPORTED by Trustee Lewsley to approve the purchase of a Swing Set for Hawley Park from Kompan in the amount of \$8487.50. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

J. MOVIE IN THE PARK FINAL CONTRACT COST

It was MOVED by Trustee Lewsley, SUPPORTED by Treasurer Brendel to approve the Movie in the Park contract amount of \$2800.00, authorizing Supervisor Baroni to approve the additional cost of mosquito control if necessary. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

K. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Birkle to approve the Job Descriptions. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

L. REPAIR TO TANKER #1

It was MOVED by Trustee Birkle, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard to approve repairs to Tanker #1 in the amount of \$7000.00. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

M. WATER & SEWER SERVICE HOOK-UP, 7515 HIGHLAND ROAD

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard to get bids on the cost of demolishing the house at 7515 Highland Road. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

N. SEWER HOOK-UP COSTS FOR TOWNSHIP OFFICES AND TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

It was MOVED by Clerk Lilley, SUPPORTED by Trustee Burkard to Table the sewer and water connections of both the Library and the Township Hall until the expansion issues are decided concerning the present Township Hall. The MOTION PASSED by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

O. MAMA MIA LIQUOR LICENSE

The Mama Mia Liquor License will be discussed in Executive Session.

FYI

A. PROPOSED ARCHITECTURAL PLANS FOR WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP

There was a general discussion among the board members regarding various options for the current Township Hall. If it is determined that the building won't be relocated or newly constructed, there are many updates, expansions and renovations necessary at the existing site.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Lewsley, **SUPPORTED** by Clerk Lilley to adjourn into Executive Session. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

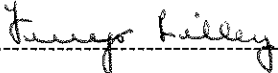
It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Brendel, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Burkard to move back into open session. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Lewsley, **SUPPORTED** by Treasurer Brendel that Supervisor Baroni proceed with respect to the Mama Mia liquor license transfer request as was discussed during the executive session. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

It was **MOVED** by Treasurer Brendel, **SUPPORTED** by Trustee Birkle to adjourn. The **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote (7 yes votes).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

I, Terry Lilley, the duly elected and qualified Clerk of the Charter Township of White Lake, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the April 17, 2012 regular board meeting minutes.



Terry Lilley, Clerk
White Lake Township
Oakland County, Michigan