

**LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**APRIL 6, 2004 – 7:30 P.M.**  
**LODI TOWNSHIP HALL**

The regular meeting opened with the flag pledge.

Present: Roll of the Board: Lindemann, Solowczuk, Godek, Masters, Foley, Crowner, and Rentschler.  
Also present: Planning Chair John Steeb, Attorney Jesse O'Jack, and 5 citizens.

Moved Solowczuk, second Lindemann to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2004 meetings. Carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

The Treasurer's report was received. Steeb reported on the March Planning Commission meeting which included a presentation by Terry Brinkman for the Saline Sustainability Circle, and a review of the proposed 55.17 Private Road Ordinance. Solowczuk reported on the March 31, 2004 fireboard meeting approving the 2004/2005 budget, purchasing a gas generator and application for a grant for an exhaust system for the fire hall. The zoning report was received. Attorney O'Jack reported on zoning violations he is addressing. Stegenga has signed a consent agreement and will take care of the junk cars etc. by Mary 3, 2004. Demmer will remove the building in question.

Moved Solowczuk, second Foley to approve the revised agenda, adding Dale Behnke from Western Washtenaw County Building Department and some bills received for payment. Carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Purchase of property discussion held. Comments included that property could be taken by emanate domain, and we could look for property other than that adjoining the current township hall. We should request from the current property owner Lisa Leutheuser and Joe Saul that they give us first option to purchase if they get a legitimate offer in writing. We are not interested in their property at the asking current asking price. We can not do an opinion vote on a ballot. However, we could ask for comments from the township property owners through the newsletter.

The effect on the residents of the 1850 state laws was briefly discussed by Margaret O'Connor. She presented the township with a sign that she had made to show the year that the old township hall was built (1867).

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dale Behnke of Western Washtenaw County Building Department requested that Lodi look at their services for building permits. The Township will stay with the service of Washtenaw County Building Department.

Discussion on the private road ordinance followed. The following items were felt needed to be changed or looked at.

1. A.3.d.4.f – Existing building within ~~20~~ 100 feet of the proposed right-of-way.
2. A.5.c – (second to last line) any such condition ~~proposed~~ imposed by the Township.....
3. A.5.e – (first line last word) ~~applicant~~ application.
4. A.6.a.1.a – (second line) driveway, ~~or~~ and has a reasonably....
5. Page 5 change ~~right~~ to right two times in first paragraph.

6. A.6.b.5 change to read "All parcels receiving access shall have their individual addresses posted on each property at their driveway entrance". Remove rest of wording under #5.
7. A.6.b.6 – add no outlet sign to roads without an outlet.
8. A.6.b.7 – Add Washtenaw County Road Commission to the road name approval list.
9. Page 6, Table 1 – Class Two Road - Base for paved surface change same to “If paved, same as Class One”. Class Two Road – Pavement change same to “If paved, same as Class One”. Under Class One and Class Two Pavement, change both to read: “Pavement required if road abuts a paved road”.
10. Page 7 – A ~~certificate~~ notice of completion by the Township Engineer.....The Township Clerk shall ~~establish and~~ determine the costs of administration.....(These procedures need to be clarified.)
11. Questions about finishing the road. There may be a case where the road should not be finished!

Discussion was held on road projects for 2004. Moved Lindemann, second Solowczuk to do the following projects with extra funds to be taken from the General Fund Balance to cover costs:

1. Gensley Road from Ellsworth to Pleasant Lake Road - \$49,700
2. Gensley Road approach at Pleasant Lake Road \$ cost to be determined
3. Ellsworth Road from Tessmer to Zeeb Road - \$49,700
4. Two solid applications of Chloride for dust control plus 3 wide on Saline Waterworks Road from the pavement West to Dell, Dell Road from the Township line to Textile Road and Textile Road from Dell Road to Ann Arbor Saline Road.
5. Sealcoat Homestead Court. Cost to be determined
6. Request quote from the Road Commission for Lodi Country Estates that needs sealcoating. Board will address those quotes at a later date.

Roll Call Vote: Yea: Lindemann, Masters, Godek, Crowner, Foley, Solowczuk, and Rentschler. Nay: None. Carried.

Godek will address the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners regarding the payment of training fees as the Sheriff Department is not currently training any new officers.

Rentschler moved Foley seconded to reappoint Walt Lindemann and John Steeb to the Board of Appeals for their individual terms. Carried.

First Unitarian Universalist Church requested relief from false alarm charges. Foley moved, Rentschler seconded to waive the false alarm that happened during the black out in August, changing the 4<sup>th</sup> alarm to the 3<sup>rd</sup> alarm and the charge to \$100. The balance due will be \$410.00 the board feels that they should contact their alarm company to see if they would cover the cost as they did not completely correct the problem in August. Carried.

Saline Sustainability Circle Planning Guidelines resolution was laid on the table for next month.

Discussion held on copy fees, etc. Clerk will attempt to come up with ideas for the next meeting. Mr. O’Jack will supply some information to the clerk.

The township needs to look at possibly getting a copier that will double side print from the computer or internet as lots of paper can be saved if double sided printing would be available from the computer. The assessing roll could be half its size. Also should look at a copier that could send and receive faxes, again saving paper as they could be saved on a computer file or read and deleted without printing as necessary. We need to gather information and look at the possible purchase for the next fiscal year.

Planning consultant discussion held. Current consultant is not timely with reports. Godek will request information from other townships and put out some requests for information.

We are in need of a person to attend Solid Waste meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month. Godek will put a notice in the newsletter.

Foley moved, second Masters to send a directive to the Planning Commission to add the wording to the PUD ordinance that a permit from the Washtenaw County Drain Commission is required. Carried.

Discussion on Phase II implementation. Phase II requirements and costs need to be supplied to the board. Godek will request costs for the current phase II area and costs for the entire township. Then the board will decide what is to be done.

Solowczuk moved and Godek seconded to amend the 2003/2004 budget as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
101101:715	FICA	\$ 87.00	
101101:716	Medicare	\$ 11.00	
101101:726	General Supplies	\$ 315.00	
101265:921	Township Hall Gas	\$ 51.00	
101276:930	Cemetery Maintenance	\$ 220.00	
101301:801	Sheriff Personnel	\$ 25,070.00	
999999			\$ 19,695.00
101101:805			\$ 6,059.00
Totals		\$ 25,754.00	\$ 25,754.00

Carried.

Foley moved Rentschler seconded to pay the bills presented deducting the PSU training costs that have been billed. Carried. 64 check totaling \$159,113.33.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

No other business brought before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Next regular meeting, May 4, 2004, 7:30 p.m., Lodi Township Hall.

Elaine E. Masters  
Clerk, Lodi Township