

LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NOVEMBER 1, 2005 - 7:30 P.M.
LODI TOWNSHIP HALL

The regular meeting opened with the flag pledge at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call of the board: Present: Radecki, Masters, Lindemann, Crowner, Foley, Rentschler, and Godek. Also present: Attorney Jesse O'Jack, Planning Commission Chair, John Steeb, Deputy Kovach and 5 citizens.

Moved Foley, second Lindemann to **approve the minutes** of the October 4, 2005 meeting. Carried.

Reports were received from the Treasurer, Planning Commission, Sheriff, Fire Board, and zoning administrator.

Dan Meyers from Washtenaw County Public Works gave a presentation on privately owned public sewage systems.

Public Comment: None.

Moved Masters; second Foley to approve the agenda adding additional bills, Planning Commission appointment, and a resolution for Jim Haab. Carried.

Unfinished Business

Police Services

Discussion held on the Sheriff Contract. There are numerous items that still need to be addressed. They include but not limited to the following:

1. Time Line
2. Contract seems to be 4 contracts rolled into one
3. A definition section needs to be added
4. Wording seems to say that municipalities would be leasing deputies.
5. Issues concerning failure to pay
6. Contract talks about an impartial mediator, wondering where one could be found!
7. Concern over paying for any other leave
8. Paying for injury whether on the job or during personal time
9. Comp time issues
10. Cost projection for 2007 would be a 42% increase without any changes in current services.

The contract was left on the table until the December meeting.

Lindstrom False Alarm

Discussion held on the **Lindstrom False Alarm** on Brassow Road. The sheriff deputy stated that Mrs. Lindstrom released him from the site as there was nothing broken and nothing missing. There are no charges pending from the township. This is their first alarm for 2005 and will remain as such. The yearly count resets on January 1 of each year. She did have her alarm checked and we commend her for doing that.

Lindow

The **Lindow** suit has been filed. The judge signed the order on October 24th.

New Business

Refund Expired Road Applications and Escrow Funds

Moved Masters, second Crowner to refund money left in the escrow accounts for **Ozor Court, Basil Drive and Heritage** to the petitioners, verifying that all bills for the applicants have been paid. Carried.

MTA Convention

Moved Godek, second Lindemann to approve attendance at the annual convention in Grand Rapids in January. Carried.

Planning Commission Appointment

Moved Godek, second Crowner to appoint Douglas Veenstra to fill the Planning Commission vacancy due to the resignation of Bud Katz. The term will expire in March of 2007. Carried.

Resolution to honor James Haab (Resolution 2005-012)

Moved Rentschler, second Lindemann to honor Jim Haab who will be retiring from the Washtenaw County Road Commission. Mr. Haab has worked on the Lodi Township roads for the past 13 years. His primary job was maintaining the roads with the large grader and did an excellent job. A resolution from Lodi Township will be given to Mr. Haab at his retirement gala. Carried.

Budget

Moved Masters, second Godek to transfer \$70,000 from the fund balance to the Road budget in order to cover the budget for roadwork. Carried.

Payment of Bills

Moved Lindemann, second Foley to pay the bills presented. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion held on the Old Township Hall. The Dean of Historic Preservation at Eastern Michigan University has been contacted and would like to have his Graduate students look at the building to give us ideas for use of the building. They will do research on the repair costs, moving costs etc.

No other business brought before the board, the meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Next meeting will be December 6, 2005 at 7:30 p.m., Lodi Township Hall.

Elaine E. Masters
Clerk