

**LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DECEMBER 5, 2006 – 7:30 P.M.
LODI TOWNSHIP HALL**

The **regular meeting** opened with the flag pledge.

Roll Call of the Board: Radecki, Rentschler, Lindemann, Crowner, Godek, Foley, and Masters. Also present Attorney Jesse O'Jack, Planning Chair John Steeb and 3 citizens.

Moved Rentschler second Lindemann, to **approve the minutes** of the November 14, 2006 meeting. Closed session minutes were approved as moved by Radecki, seconded by Masters and carried.

Reports were received from the **treasurer, Sheriff, Planning Commission, Board of Appeals and zoning inspector.**

Moved Masters, second Foley to approve the **revised agenda**, removing the Home Occupation request by Lee Taylor-Belcher as her request falls under the permitted uses in the Agricultural Zoning, also remove the MDEQ lawsuit. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT at 8:07 p.m. - none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Moved Foley, second Radecki to approve the **Zoning Administrator job description** that includes reporting to the supervisor and send it to the Planning Commission requesting that it be incorporated into the zoning ordinance. Carried.
2. Discussion held on the hiring of a zoning administrator. The need is for a zoning consultant until the ordinance is in place. Moved Crowner second Foley to **appoint Carlisle Wortman to be a consultant** on zoning matters. Carried. The township needs to request a fee proposal from them as consultants.

NEW BUSINESS

1. With Lindemann seconding, Masters moved to appoint Dan Dever, Vance Shutes and Oscar Henes to the **Board of Review** for 2 year terms. Carried.
2. **Recycle Ann Arbor agreement** was received for 2007. Moved Masters, second Foley to sign the agreement for \$1,000 monthly fees plus roll off fees for the two clean up days. Roll Call vote: Aye: Radecki, Crowner, Foley, Godek, Masters, Lindemann and Rentschler. Nay: None. Carried.
3. A **volunteer waiver** was discussed. The insurance company suggested that the township put a form in place. Questions need to be answered concerning this form. What would happen if someone wants to volunteer, but won't sign the form? Would everyone that helps unload their own car need to sign the form? Would someone just directing traffic need to sign the waiver?
4. **Lee Taylor-Belcher** – She is applying for a home occupation for day and over night dog care in her home on Ellsworth Road. She is in AG zoning and has seven acres. She may have up to four dogs and cats including her own. The application does not need to be submitted as she falls within the permitted uses in an AG zone. The application will be returned with a letter stating that she may have a total of four (4) domestic animals that include her own.

5. Discussion on budget line items. Discussed the possibility of putting out a dumpster for items to be disposed rather than having a clean up day. Godek offered to get a quote from Recycle Ann Arbor for a dumpster. Moved Masters, second Radecki to **amend the budget** as follows:

- Take from 101440:445 – Drain Tax \$6646.03
- Take from 101262:702 – Election Wages \$2000
- Add to 201622:801 – Contract Pick up \$5800.00
- Add to 101400:801 – Planning Consulting Fees \$846.03
- Add to 101215:702.1 – Deputy Clerk Wages \$2000.00

Carried.

6. Moved Masters, second Foley to **pay the bills** presented totaling \$55,112.00. Carried.
7. **Public Comment** – None at 8:53 p.m.
8. Moved Masters, second Foley to go into **closed session** to discuss pending litigation. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Lindemann, Rentschler, Crowner, Radecki, Masters, Godek, and Foley. Nay: None. Carried. Closed session at 8:54 p.m.
9. Moved Masters, second Foley to return to **open session** at 9:15 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Masters, Radecki, Crowner, Rentschler, Lindemann, Foley, and Godek. Nay: None. Carried.
10. Moved Masters second Crowner to have a **working session** of the board and planning commission to look at the advisability to have a municipal system managed by the township in section one and also hire our own consultant for information on advisability. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Rentschler, Lindemann, Foley, Godek, Masters, Radecki, and Crowner. Nay: None. Carried.
11. **Lindow** – Trailers are now about 5 feet off of the road. No permit has been issued for removal. Mr. Lindow has been sited on the property. Once the Federal Court lawsuit is dismissed, we will go back to local court.
12. **Optima Oil** – Mr. O’Jack is preparing a lawsuit as they did not uphold their side of the agreement.
13. No other business, the meeting **adjourned** at 9:23 p.m.
14. Next meeting will be January 2, 2007.

Elaine E. Masters
Clerk, Lodi Township