

**LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MARCH 3, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING  
LODI TOWNSHIP HALL**

The regular meeting opened with the flag pledge.

**Roll Call** of the Board: Canham, Rentschler, Lindemann, Foley, Staebler, Godek, and Masters. Also present: Attorney O’Jack, John Steeb Planning Commission Chair, David Archer, WCSD and 10 citizens. Representing the Washtenaw County Road Commission: Steve Puuri, Jim Harmon, Rick Bell and Ed Reed.

The annual meeting with the **Washtenaw County Road Commission** ensued. A packet of information was received from the commission and discussed. Discussion was held on the township purchasing aggregate for spreading on the roads in need. It was suggested that it may be cheaper to purchase from nearby pits and have the Road Commission do the trucking and spreading. Suggested projects for 2009 were discussed. The board will make decisions on projects at a future date.

**7:53 p.m. Waterland Trucking Annual Review**

Chris Donajkowski of OHM discussed the annual report. Action items include: 1. Establish vegetative cover in the restored areas. 2. Submit surety bond (received). 3. Submit new insurance certificate (received). 4. Resubmit dated 2007 flyover plan.

**8:03 p.m. Open 2009-2010 Budget Hearing**

Questions were asked concerning the Lodi Township millage and the budgeted amount for Planning Commission education. The expected income for 2008/2009 budget was also questioned. Budget Public Hearing closed at 8:10 p.m.

**Open Regular Meeting at 8:10 p.m.**

Moved Foley, seconded Masters to approve the consent agenda.

Consent agenda included

1. February Board Minutes
2. Investment Report
3. Planning Commission Report
4. Amend Budget

| <b>Category</b>                          | <u><b>Increase</b></u> | <u><b>Decrease</b></u> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| 101101:955 - 175th Anniversary Jubilee   | \$300.00               |                        |
| 101171:860 - Supervisor Education/Travel | \$250.00               |                        |
| 101215:860 - Clerk Education/Travel      | \$200.00               |                        |
| 101336:703.2 - Runs - False Fire Alarms  | \$100.00               |                        |
| 101262:702 - Election Salaries           |                        | \$850.00               |
| <b>Totals</b>                            | <b>\$850.00</b>        | <b>\$850.00</b>        |

5. Payment of bills presented.
6. Fire Report

7. Zoning Report  
Carried.

**SHERIFF REPORT** - Sgt. Archer presented the February Sheriff Report for Lodi Township.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – offered at 8:15 p.m. None.

**AMEND AGENDA** - Moved Masters, seconded Foley to add John Schiel and the Lodi Township 2009-2010 Budget approval to new business. Carried.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Yitzhak Henig – 3417 S. Zeeb Road** – A letter was received and filed. No action was taken.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. **Lawn Mower Races** - John Schiel was introduced by Mel Ellis. He will be doing the lawnmower races at the anniversary celebration. He will donate his time to organize the races. He requests permission to hang a Car Quest banner for his donation of time. The township will need to check on insurance for the event.
2. **2008 Planning Commission Report** - John Steeb gave a report on the activities of the Lodi Township Planning Commission for 2008.
3. **Township Seal** - Margaret Canham's daughter developed several different seals for the township. It was the consensus of the board to choose the one at the right.
4. **2009 Lawn Care and Cemetery Lawn Care** - Moved Lindemann, seconded Masters to approved the bids from Elite Yard Care for Cemetery mowing (seven monthly payments of \$625.00), and Township Hall mowing at \$40 per cutting and Field Mowing 5 times per year at \$77.00 per cutting. Carried.
5. **Assessor Contract** - Moved Masters, seconded Canham to approve the assessor's contract for 2009-2010 in the amount of \$39,600. Carried.
6. **Saline Area Fire Department 2009-2010 Budget** - Moved Masters, seconded Foley to approve the budget presented. Lodi share: Operating \$222,097, Runs \$8,000 and Capital Improvement \$38,325. Carried. Lodi percentage is 31.47%, down .81%.
7. **Planning Commission Appointments** - Moved Lindemann, seconded Staebler to appoint Ronald Diuble and Steve Thelen for three year terms on the planning commission. Carried.
8. **Board of Appeals Appointment** - Moved Lindemann, seconded Staebler to appoint John Steeb to a three year term on the board of appeals. Carried.
9. **Planning and Zoning Workshop** - Moved Masters, seconded Foley to approve Peg Canham's attendance to an Introduction to Planning and Zoning workshop at a cost of \$50. Carried.
10. **2009-2010 Lodi Township Budget** - Moved Foley, seconded Lindemann to approve the proposed 2009-2010 budget totaling \$1,304,700.00. Roll Call Vote: Yea: Canham, Masters, Foley, Godek, Staebler, Lindemann, and Rentschler. Nay: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Carried.
11. **Attorney Report - Fairview** is closed with receipt of the FOIA fees. **Heritage** - About 1 1/2 years ago they said they were going to reopen the case. We stipulated that they could reopen the case. According to the court computer, they never reopened the case. Their proposal stated that they keep the R-3 zoning. Mr. O'Jack did not agree to the proposal. If it is opened up



again Mr. O'Jack will get back to the board. **Story** - Judge granted them the ability to build on the non-conforming lot without addressing the original (self-created) issues. Mr. O'Jack wanted to make sure it didn't set any precedence. Owner must follow requirement of zoning ordinance (set backs, etc.) county requirements and everything else.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** offered at 8:47 p.m. - None

No other business, the meeting **adjourned** at 8:48 p.m.

**Next regular board meeting** will April 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Elaine E. Masters  
Clerk, Lodi Township