

LODI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BUDGET HEARING
ROAD COMMISSION ANNUAL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.
LODI TOWNSHIP HALL
3755 PLEASANT LAKE ROAD - ANN ARBOR,
MICHIGAN

The meeting opened with the flag pledge at 7:00 p.m.

1. Roll call of the board. Present: Lindemann, Godek, Foley, Staebler, Canham, Rentschler, and Masters. Also present Attorney O'Jack, John Steeb, Planning Commission Chair and 8 citizens.

2. Budget Hearing for the 2010/2011 Fiscal year opened at 7:01 p.m. as moved by Foley and seconded by Canham. The Supervisor requested comments on the budget presented. None were received. Lindemann moved and Masters seconded to close the budget hearing at 7:03 p.m. Carried.

3. Washtenaw County Road Commission - Annual Meeting.

Representing the road commission was: Jim Harmon, Roy Townsend, Steve Puuri, Doug Fuller, and Rick Bell. The 2009 activities were discussed. Lodi matching funds for 2010 will be \$23,084 (down about \$40 from 2009 and \$12,879 for the drainage program. Both matching funds could be carried over for one year if there would be a project we would like to bank together next year. This year's projects need to be requested by May 15, 2010.

4. Consent Agenda. Moved Foley, seconded Canham to approve the Consent Agenda. Carried.

C-1: February Regular meeting minutes.

C-2: Approve Investment Report

C-3: Payment of Bills February 3, 2010 through March 2, 2010.

5. Attorney - No report.

6. Sheriff - Sgt. Archer gave a verbal report. There were 74 service calls in January, 10 of them were crashes.

7. Public Comment offered at 8:47 p.m. - None

8. Revise Agenda – Moved Lindemann seconded Masters to approve the agenda as submitted. Carried.

9. Gravel Pit Inspection Reports

a. Ann Arbor Sand and Gravel - Marcus McNamara represented OHM. He went through the review of the site. There was no activity in 2009. The owner is looking for someone to mine, but having difficulty with the low demand at this time. Items that need to be addressed include the storage of items on the site that need to be removed. Fence issues are from falling trees and deer. Mr. Leoni told Marcus that the issues will be taken care of this spring. Slopes need to

be softened if there is no mining going on. A timetable was suggested. A new reclamation plan was received just prior to the beginning of this meeting. Marcus will look at it and report back to the township. Godek also reminded the engineer that Mr. Leoni needs to be reminded about bringing in material. The insurance and bond information has been provided. However a flyover is still needed. Mr. Leoni told Marcus that he is working on getting that done in conjunction with the other pits in the area.

10. Unfinished Business - SBA Wheeler Tower - Godek stated she did not understand what a letter of agreement between SBA and Washtenaw 800 Mhz was saying. She feels that it doesn't say that the lease for an omni directional antenna (up to 10' in length) or a 2' foot diameter microwave dish would be free of charge. Ms Tenser stated that it will be free of charge. Paul Bunten emailed Godek today and stated that he felt that the agreement represents a good faith effort on SBA's part in providing space on the tower for the 800 Megahertz Consortium, not knowing what they will need in the future. Moved Rentschler to approve a special use for the Wheeler tower at W. Waters Road based on the planning commissions recommendations and their findings of facts and conditions imposed. Seconded by Foley.

Concerns were raised regarding the current special use in place at the site of the tower and that the property is currently out of compliance. The track record of the property owner is not very good as far as following the regulations and complying with the law. Owner needs to be taken to task about compliance with the regulations.

Concern also stated that the Wagner Road tower/antenna needs to come down. Everyone felt that tower on Wagner Road would be coming down. Steeb stated that if there are no antennas on the Wagner Road tower, they must remove the tower within 12 months according to the ordinance.

Tencer stated that SBA has every intention to take the Wagner Road tower down. They don't know how long it will take to AATA antenna off the Wagner Road tower. SBA's intention is to take the Wagner Road tower down.

No other discussion, a roll call vote followed: Aye: Canham, Lindemann, Staebler, Masters, Foley, and Rentschler. Nay: Godek. Absent/Abstain: None. Carried.

11. New Business

- a. **Saline Area Fire Department 2010-2011 Budget.** Moved Foley, seconded Staebler to approve the 2010-2011 SAFD budget. Lodi Township share of the operating will be \$231,815 and Capitol improvement \$15,940 for a total of \$247,755. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Masters, Rentschler, Staebler, Lindeman, Godek, Foley, and Canham. Nay: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Carried.
- b. **Lodi Township 2010-2011 Budget** - Moved Foley, seconded Canham to adopt the 2010/2011 Lodi Township budget for \$1,165,450.00 (13% less than 2009-2010 budget). Roll Call Vote: Aye: Foley, Canham, Lindeman, Masters, Godek, Staebler, and, Rentschler. Nay: None. Absent/Abstain: None. Carried.

- c. **Washtenaw Urban County Partnership Opportunity** - Discussion held on the opportunity. Godek stated that Lodi Township will not receive anything by joining at this time. Consensus of the board was not to join.
- d. **AmeriScan** - The clerk received a presentation of Minutes-On-Demand. The minutes would be hosted on the internet by this company and they would be "key word" searchable. Although it sounds like a great program, the township does not have the money in the budget to cover an item as this. Perhaps boards in the future would be more interested.
- e. **2010-2011 Lodi Township Meeting Dates** - The following meeting dates were established for the 2010-2011 fiscal year as moved by Lindemann and seconded by Staebler: April 6, May 11 (delayed because of Dexter school election), June 1, July 6, August 10 (delayed because of August primary election), September 7, October 5, November 9 (delayed because of November general election), December 7, 2010, January 4, February 1 and March 1, 2011. Meeting times will be 7:30 except for the March 1, 2011 budget public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Carried.
- f. **Township Attorney** - Moved Masters, seconded Godek to appoint Barr, Anhut and Associates as attorney for Lodi Township. Carried.
- g. **Township Planner** - Moved Lindemann, seconded Staebler to appoint Don Pennington as the township planner for fiscal year 2010-2011. Carried
- h. **Township Engineer** - Moved Lindemann, seconded Foley to appoint OHM as engineers for Lodi Township. Carried.
- i. **Planning Commission Members** - Moved Lindemann, seconded Staebler to appoint John Steeb and Doug Veenstra to the Planning Commission for individual three-year terms. Terms will expire March 2013 Carried.
- j. **Board of Appeals** - Moved Staebler, seconded Masters to appoint Mel Ellis and Paul Thibault to individual three-year terms to the Board of Appeals. Terms will expire 2013. Carried.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

a. **SAFEbuilt** - Information received about using their company to do Lodi's building inspection, etc. They are currently talking with Washtenaw County about using their company. We are currently using Washtenaw County and aren't planning on changing unless the county no longer provides the service.

b. **Michigan Gas and Electric** - Would supply our natural gas through the DTE lines. Board did not feel it necessary to change.

c. **Take 10 - Census Challenge** - We all need to encourage the residents to fill out their census forms.

d. **DTE Energy** - DTE will do an energy study on the Township Hall and give us ways that we could improve our energy usage.

13. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Offered at 8:30 p.m. - none.

14. ADJOURNMENT - No other business the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Next meeting will be April 6, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Elaine E. Masters
Clerk, Lodi Township