

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP
March 15, 2011
7:00 pm
Hunt Street Public Hearing
Golden Township Hall

Special Meeting to discuss the Hunt Street Paving Project.

Present: Walsworth, Ackley, Cargill, Wiegand, Fuehring.

Meeting called to order by Walsworth at 7:01pm

Discussion regarding The Hunt Street Paving Project.

- Cargill presented information on the proposed paving project for Hunt, Shirley, Vachon and Jeanne Streets.

- Over 51% of the front lot footage owners on Hunt, Shirley, Vachon and Jeanne Streets must agree to the project.

- Lowest bidder for the project came in at \$112,117.00.

- Four letters received opposing the project as follows:

 - Matthew and Betty Kruithoff, 1909 Beechwood Dr., Mears, MI 49436. Property # 64-006-480-004-00.

 - Gerald Despaltra, newmanx59@yahoo.com. Property #'s, 64-006-362-046-01 and 64-006-362-046-02. (Joint owner with Gary Despaltra.)

 - Mindy Host, m.host@live.com. Property # 64-006-362-038-00.

 - Gary Despaltra, sandsurfer1@msn.com. Property # 64-006-362-046-01 and 64-006-362-046-02. (Joint owner with Gary Despaltra.)

- Public comment

 - Resident commented that there was actually 58% approval of property owners if you consider square footage. Also, 70% of the total property owners approve of the project.

 - Resident questioned whether this was a final approval for the project. Cargill explained that with the majority vote from residents, the project would move forward, however a second public hearing is required to review the tax roll for the special assessment. This public hearing is to determine the necessity of the project.

 - Resident questioned how many property owners are year round residents and how many are seasonal. There are a total of 38 property owners and 7 are year round residents.

Motion by Cargill, support by Fuehring to adopt the following resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED as follows:

1. That this township board does hereby determine that the petitions for the Hunt Street Paving Project were properly signed by the record owners of land whose frontage constitutes more than 50 percent of the total frontage upon the proposed improvement.

2. That this township board does hereby approve the plans for the improvements as prepared and presented by the Oceana County Road Commission for the completion thereof based on the bid of \$112,117.00.
3. That this township board does hereby create, determine and define as a special assessment district to be known as the Hunt Street Special Assessment District within which the costs of such improvements shall be assessed according to benefits, the following described area within said township:

ALL PROPERTIES ABUTTING THE FOLLOWING: Hunt Street from Hill Street to Jean Street. Jean Street from Hunt Street to Vachon Street. Vachon Street from Jean Street to Fox Street. Shirley Street from Hunt Street to and including the cul-de-sac.

4. That on the basis of the foregoing, this township board does hereby direct the supervisor and assessing officer to make a special assessment roll in which shall be entered and described all the parcels of land to be assessed with the names of the respective owners thereof if known, and a total amount to be assessed against each parcel of land which amount shall be the relative portion of the whole sum to be levied against the parcels of land in the special assessment district as the benefit to the parcel of land bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in the special assessment district. When the same has been completed, the supervisor or assessing officer shall affix thereto her certificate stating that it was made pursuant to this resolution and that in making such assessment roll, she has, according to her best judgment conformed in all respects to the directions contained in this resolution and the applicable state statutes.
5. That all resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of the within resolutions be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted aye: Ackley, Walsworth, Cargill, Fuehring, Wiegand.

The following voted Nay: None

The supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

The second public hearing for the Hunt Street Project will be Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00pm.

Cargill stated that the township will be paying \$70,694.71 toward the project from the township road fund. Each parcel will be charged \$767.10 toward the project.

Lance from the OCRC stated that the project should be able to begin the first week in May.

Meeting adjourned 7:15pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Tina Wiegand
Golden Township Clerk

