

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP
BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
MARCH 10, 2015

Don Walsworth, opened the Public Hearing on the Proposed 2015/2016 Budget at 7:27 pm. The Treasurer, Connie Cargill, explained the General Fund, Road, Fire, Park, and Silver Lake Trail Budget. The budget has been adjusted for part time assessing and zoning as Golden Township receives new employees. Adjusted cemetery budget, adding \$10,000, to address the issue of old falling trees that need to be removed. The Public Hearing closed at 7:40 pm.

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MARCH 11, 2015
MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Golden Township Board was called to order by the Chairman, Don Walsworth, at 7:40 p.m. in the Golden Township Hall.

Board Members present: Don Walsworth, Connie Cargill, Carl Fuehring, Rachel Iteen, Kevin Ackley.
Also present: Jake Whelpley, Zoning Administrator; Rob Draper, Zoning Assistant; and 11 guests.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mrs. Cargill to approve with corrections the minutes of last month's regular board meeting. Corrections: The amount of *\$306,319.00 added to Wadel Stabilization Inc. bid motion; \$261,368.40 with the township committing up to \$65,342.10 for matching funds added to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant motion; and \$45,000 with the township committing up to \$11,250.00 for matching funds added to the Michigan Natural Resources Passport Grant motion.* All yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mr. Fuehring to approve the public hearing minutes. All yes, the motion carried.

Correspondence: Richard Neilsen, President Sahara Sands Association

The Treasurer presented the Financial Report. The ending balance in the General Fund as of February 28, 2015 was \$299,918.07, and the ending balance for the Road fund was \$294,599.78.

Motion by Mr. Fuehring, supported by Mr. Ackley, the Financial Report was accepted subject to Audit.
Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mr. Fuehring, check numbers 15795 through 15826 in the amount of \$24,942.37, Roll call vote, all yes.

Zoning Report: There were two permits issued. And there are two violations. 1. Sanders pile of sand in road right of way. 2. Other one pertains to the corner of 34th and Fox, where the owner is seemingly planning a campground.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Fuehring, to approve the General Fund budget by department and as presented. General Fund: Revenue \$460,934. Appropriations: Township Board \$71,900; Supervisor \$13,250; Clerk \$27,635; Board of Review \$2,000, Treasurer \$43,354; Assessor \$59,854; Elections \$6,100; Building & Grounds \$24,500, Cemetery \$18,250; Police \$12,000, Fire Dept. \$40,000; Street Lighting \$7,500; Zoning \$47,454; Library \$15,000, Debt Service \$19,000, Total Appropriations \$407,797. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Golden Township resolves:

SECTION 1. This resolution shall be known as the Golden Township 2015 General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 2. Public Hearing on the Budget – pursuant to MCLA141.412 and .413, notice of a public hearing on the proposed budget was published in a newspaper of general circulation on February 26, 2015 and a public hearing on the proposed budget was held on March 10, 2015.

SECTION 3. The Golden Township Board adopts the 2015-2016 fiscal year budgets for the various funds by department.

SECTION 4. The Golden Township Board shall cause to be levied and collected the general property tax on all real and personal property within the Township upon the current tax roll and allocated mileage of 1.989 mill township operations; and voter authorized millage of 1.99 mills for road maintenance and repair, and .499 mills for fire protection.

SECTION 5. All claims against the Township shall be approved by the Golden Township Board prior to being paid, prepayment will be allowed for Card member Services, Larson's, Great Lakes Energy and Consumers energy, Frontier.

SECTION 6. Included in the budget are the following amounts of the salary, hourly and per diem rates for the officials and employees of the Township:

Per Diem – PC and ZBA - \$50; Trustees - \$125.

Supervisor - \$12,450.

Assessor - \$41,054.

Clerk - \$17,635

Deputy Clerk - \$12.75 per hour

Elections - \$11.00 per hour

Treasurer - \$23,454.

Deputy Treasurer - \$13.25 per hour

Zoning - \$23,454.

Zoning Consultant - \$20.00 per hour

Assessor Assistant - \$20.00 per hour

SECTION 7. Estimated revenues and expenditures for Golden Township for the funds are:

General – \$460,934. Revenue \$407,797. Expense

Road - \$354,069. Revenue \$353,759. Expense

Fire Fund - \$125,100. Revenue \$106,240 Expense

Park Fund - \$71,500. Revenue \$71,000 Expense

Silver Lake Trail Fund - \$12,354 Revenue \$12,354 Expense

MOTION made by Mr. Fuehring, seconded by Mrs. Cargill, to adopt the forgoing resolution and General Appropriations Act. Upon roll call vote the following voted:

Ayes: Mr. Walsworth, Mrs. Cargill, Mr. Fuehring, Mr. Ackley, Mrs. Iteen

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted on the 10th day of March, 2015.

Signed: _____ Donald Walsworth, Supervisor

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mr. Fuehring, to approve increase last year budget to the general fund (101) by \$6000. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Ackley to approve the following contractor for brine: Michigan Chloride Sales. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fuehring, supported by Mrs. Cargill, to approve the Household Hazardous Waste Program for \$500.00. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mrs. Cargill, to approve the Hart Area Fire Administrative Board 2015/2016 budget of \$214,830.00 which includes Golden Township amount for \$106,240.00. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried. (Attached after minutes)

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mr. Fuehring, to approve the construction work to be done for Telamon's fire inspection, paying ½ of the cost of the work needed to put in a fire rated door on the storage room and painting the ceiling with fire rated paint in storage room. *Telamon will pay the balance.* Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

The Golden Township Board has rejected the request of the ESD to rent a classroom for college classes and has decided not to rent the gym for various parties.

Public comments:

Mark Borst commented that township officials should have ID's and signs on their vehicles.

Motion by Mr. Fuehring, supported by Mrs. Cargill to have ID's made for township workers and magnetic signs made for their vehicles. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen
Golden Township Clerk