

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Golden Township Board was called to order by Chairman, Carl Fuehring, at 7:30 p.m. in the Golden Township Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present: Carl Fuehring, Connie Cargill, Rachel Iteen, Richard Walsworth
Absent: Gary Beggs
Also present: Rob Draper, Zoning Administrator; and 18 guests.

Minutes - Motion by Mr. Walsworth, supported by Mrs. Cargill, to approve the minutes with corrections of last month's regular board meeting. All yes, the motion carried.

Correspondence:

Hart Public Schools – Open House Invite
Patricia Driscoll – Letter Concerning Camping Trailer on property.

The Treasurer read the Financial Report. The ending balance in the Fund as of August 31, 2017 was as follows: General Fund \$224,013.77; Road fund \$1,948.64; Fire Fund \$4,584.70; Park/Recreation Cash Fund \$21,989.16.

Bills - Motion by Mr. Walsworth, supported by Mrs. Cargill, to pay check numbers 17046 through 17089 and EFT 91 in the general fund for the amount of \$65,176.85. Roll call vote, all yes, the motion carried.

Zoning Report: There were 72 permits so far this year.

Joseph and Shawn Mannel Land Division: Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mrs. Iteen, to approve the Mannel land division parcel # 64-006-026-400-01. All yes, the motion carried.

Scott Goyings Land Division: Motion by Mr. Walsworth, supported by Mrs. Cargill, to approve the Goyings land division parcel # 64-006-021-100-11. All yes, the motion carried.

Richard Walsworth Land Division: Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mrs. Iteen, to approve the land division parcel # 64-006-010-200-05. Dick Walsworth abstained from voting on this land division, all yes, the motion carried. See attached papers for land divisions.

Park Report:

Golden Township Park at Silver Lake Sand Dunes: Mrs. Cargill mentioned that the township will apply for the acquisition grant and the Department of Natural Resources Development Grant next spring and that the Recreation Plan has been current to apply.

Fire Report: The fire chief has started the process to fill the position of two captains, and later the position of two lieutenants. The chief is community minded and has involved the fire department in community activities.

Planning Commission: There was a public hearing for Wilson's for a car wash and a rec room. Nothing approved as the required paper work has not been turned in.

Road Report: Mr. Walsworth stated that the road across the Upper Silver Lake Dam spillway is open now and the road stripping is being done as well. The road committee will be reviewing the roads to put together a plan for next year's road repairs.

Assessor Report: none

Old Business- None

New Business:

Zoning Minutes Professionally Transcribed: Mr. Draper thought that the person applying for the variance should pay for the cost of transcribing and Mr. Walsworth agreed. Connie will look into fees for a person to attend the meeting and transcribe the minutes.

Public discussion:

-Mike Cook commented about Applefest being pleasant and that the Hart Area Fire Dept. was there with trucks for the occasion.

-Patricia Driscoll commented on her letter read during correspondence concerning camping on her land that she has owned for 26 years.

-Amy Zaloga, an Applefest committee member, stated that she received several complements about the festival and that the attendees would like the park to remain simple and would not want additional asphalt to change the atmosphere of the park.

-Mrs. Cargill mentioned it would be a good thing for the board to attend the MTA regional meeting coming to Ludington's Lincoln Hills Golf Course in October.

The meeting was adjourned and then re-convened.

Investment Policy: Mr. Walsworth, supported by Mr. Cargill, moved to add the following language to the investment policy to allow putting monies into savings if it this change would make the township money from interest. (g. *Obligations described in subdivisions (a) through (f) if purchased through an interlocal agreement under the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512.*) Roll call Vote all yes, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm
Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen
Golden Township Clerk