

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP
SEPTEMBER 8, 2015
MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Golden Township Board was called to order by the Chairman, Don Walsworth, at 7:34 p.m. in the Golden Township Hall.

Board Members Present: Don Walsworth, Connie Cargill, Rachel Iteen, Kevin Ackley.

Also present: Rob Draper, Zoning Administrator; Scott VanSingel who is running for the seat Jon Bumstead is vacating as state representative and apx. 13 guests.

Board Members Absent: Carl Fuehring

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mrs. Iteen, to approve the minutes of last month's regular board meeting. All yes, the motion carried.

The Treasurer presented the Financial Report. The ending balance in the General Fund as of August 31, 2015 was \$200,299.41, and the ending balance for the Road fund was \$55,926.34.

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mrs. Cargill, the Financial Report was accepted subject to Audit.

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mrs. Iteen, check numbers 16052 through 16082 in the amount of \$31,802.81. Roll call vote, all yes, the motion carried.

Zoning Report: There were five permits issued. There is the on-going campground violation for personal property. The state law allows only 4 campers per parcel. Some parcels have more than four. Mr. Draper talked to the state and they stated that they were ready to send a letter. Mr. Draper is looking into our lawyer sending a letter to the violators. Mr. Draper also stated that he is looking into being a full time building inspector and will be talking to the Grant Township inspector.

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mrs. Cargill, to approve the non-sale of township owned property in Michigan Shores instead of selling it as John and Joan Anstett were requesting. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Road projects were discussed and tabled until more information can be obtained from the road commission.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Ackley, to adopt the Oceana County Hazard Mitigation Plan. This has been updated from the plan originally written in 2005, and is available at the Golden Township Offices. All yes, the motion carried.

Public comments:

Walter Ashley asked about the properties that John and Joan Anstett wanted to buy as he may also be interested in them. It was stated that if Golden Township wanted to sell them it would have to be put up for bids to be fair to everyone.

Jeff Clark complained about a non-resident vender who set up shop to sell food. Golden Township no longer issues licenses to permit such actions. Ted Ferwerda admitted that he had asked this vender to come in even though he knew it was not allowed.

Mr. Borst asked about meeting being posted on the web. Mrs. Iteen stated that they are posted if there is a meeting and when the information is given to her to put on the web. No meeting, no posting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen
Golden Township Clerk