

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JULY 12, 2016

The meeting of the Golden Township Election Commission was called to order by the Clerk, Rachel Iteen at 7:22 p.m. in the Golden Township Hall.

Commission present: Rachel Iteen, clerk; Connie Cargill, treasurer; Don Walsworth, supervisor
The clerk read the names of the election inspectors to be appointed for the March 8, 2016, election.

Motion by Mr. Walsworth, supported by Mrs. Cargill to appoint: Brenda Draper, Deputy Clerk appointed as Chairmen; Melinda Whitney, Republican; Nancy Peters, Democrat; Pam Tingley, Democrat; and JoEllyn Rickard as election inspectors for the August 2, 2016, election. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

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

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

Board Member Absent: Carl Fuehring

Also present: Rob Draper, Zoning Administrator; and 26 guests.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Ackley, to approve the **minutes** of last month's regular board meeting with the lot number changed to lot # 8 instead of lot #9 as stated by Mr. Floyd (Jake) Whelpley for the land between the church and the township. All yes, the motion carried.

The Treasurer read the Financial Report. The ending balance in the Fund as of June 30, 2016 was as follows: General Fund \$322,595.06; Road fund \$304,402.68; Fire Fund \$31,122.59; Capital Project Fund \$9,327.73; Silver Lake Corridore Construction Fund \$6,844.19.

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

Motion by Mr. Ackley, supported by Mrs. Cargill, check numbers 16426 through 16473 in the amount of \$62,471.40. Roll call vote, all yes, the motion carried.

Zoning Report: There were seven permits for the month with a total of 39 for the year. DEQ is investigating the illegal campground off of Fox and B15. They went over the limit of four camping trailers over the July 4th weekend.

Park Report: Mrs. Cargill stated that they were still endeavoring to jump through all the hoops so the money from the grant could be received.

Fire Report: Mr. Gary Beggs stated that MIOSHA has given them until August 31 to comply with their directive. There was also a sexual harassment case filed against them.

New Business-

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Ackley, to appoint Mr. Don Walsworth to work with the township lawyer, Ed McNeely, along with Craig Cihak and his advisor to prepare a **sewer responsibility agreement** for the sewer Craig Cihak is installing. After an agreement is reached, Mr. Walsworth will sign for Golden Township. All yes, the motion carried.

Kim Peterson spoke to the board about **safety concerns on the newly paved one-way by the hotel** on Silver Lake behind Silver Point Party Store. She suggested speed limit signs, speed bumps or lines painted for bike path reducing the road to a single lane of traffic.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Ackley, to approve an **outdoor gathering permit for the Apple & BBQ Festival** on September 9th and 10th. All yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Ackley, to approve a **research grant application** to research the best sewer for the Silver Lake area. All yes, the motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mrs. Iteen, to **appoint Jake Whelpley and Mark Borst to the Zoning Board of Appeals**. Bob Bricker, Chairmen, and Brad Whitney both resigned. All yes, the motion carried.

Public discussion:

The following people asked for your vote on Aug. 2:

- Floyd (Jake) Whelpley for Golden Township Supervisor
- Gail McDonald Schulte for Oceana County Treasurer
- Mark Borst for Golden Township Trustee
- Mark Rippee for Golden Township Trustee
- Lori Green for Oceana County Drain Commissioner
- Jerry Kroll for Oceana County Drain Commissioner
- Gary Beggs for Golden Township Trustee
- Roy Strait for Oceana County Sheriff
- Rachel Iteen for re-election as Golden Township Clerk
- Jean Adams for Golden Township Clerk

Lynn **Liebert** stated that she sent a letter that was not read and she would like to have it read now. The letter was about **24th Ave.** and how impassable it becomes in the winter. Mrs. Cargill read the letter. After the meeting, Rachel Iteen, Clerk asked when the letter was sent as she hadn't seen it before. It was sent in March or April of 2009. It also had parts scribbled out where former clerk, Laurie Kolosci, was mentioned. Mr. Walsworth stated that the Golden Township Road committee would look into the situation.

Matt Hempfling talked about a violations he received. He is working on the **removal of house trailers** from his property in the **Morris Lake area** and hoped to have it complete by this Friday. He spoke to Mr. Draper after the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm
Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen
Golden Township Clerk