

**GOLDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MINUTES  
APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2005**

The regular monthly meeting of the Golden Township board was called to order by Supervisor Walsworth at 7:30 pm at the Golden Township Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Board members presents: Don Walsworth, Connie Cargill, Kevin Ackley, Carl Fuehring, Laurie Kolosci.

Motion by Cargill Support by Fuehring to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2005 meeting, all yes motion carried.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Ackley to approve the treasurer's report, all yes, Motion carried.

Presentation of the Bills checks numbering 11084 through 11125 totaling \$32,214.59.

Motion by Ackley Support by Cargill, roll call Walsworth, Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

Kolosci read a letter from the Andrea Bosse' center asking the Township board for permission to post solicitors on the corner of 56<sup>th</sup> Ave and Fox rd. to support the April Child abuse awareness week. The board all-agreed that it was a great organization and gave permission. Kolosci will call them that would be fine.

Zoning administrator Jake Whelpley reported 17 permits issued this month. He also told of the Farmers forum that 4 Township representatives held and attended. The main result was that the farmers felt the Township should explore Purchase of Development rights and that they liked the idea of smaller lots 2 Acre etc as it left more land for farming. He felt that the meeting was very informative.

New owners of the Silver City campground have prompted a land division.

Motion by Cargill Support by Fuehring to approve the Fuller Land Division, property number 64-006-021-300-06, all yes motion carried.

~~Removal of the Main stage at Val Du Lakes and the possible sale of a portion of land prompted the Val Du Lakes Land division.~~

~~Motion by Fuehring Support by Ackley to approve the Val Du Lakes Property number 64-006-028-200-02 all yes motion carried.~~

Application for a modified P.U.D. brought up the question of putting more restrictions physical in nature (fences etc.) were discussed to protect the neighbors of the Val-Du-Lakes campground because of all the problems we have had in the past, but it was felt that there wasn't really anything that could be done. Whelpley reported that in the past we have pulled their PUD forcing them to shut down. It ~~could~~ will be pursued as an option. with the next legitimate complaint.

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Motion by Ackley, Support by Fuehring, to approve the Val-Du-Lakes P.U.D. major modification to remove 26.5 Acres as described on attachment. All yes motion carried.

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Timberlake Terrace P.U.D. was discussed, with a name change on the site plan from future development area to "unplanned area. (Complete information in the P.C. minutes for 3/29/2005). Dr. Roseman questioned the 10 year rain fall event, stating that the zoning ordinance called for a 25 years event. With nothing unusual at this point ~~the~~ the planning commission recommends the Township board approve the P.U.D. as home builders will have to go thru the permit process that the individual government entities require.

Motion by Cargill support by Ackley to approve the Timberlake Terrace, all yes motion carried.

Kolosci reported that The Michigan state police had been contacted and will be doing a speed limit study on Ridge rd. to determine if a reduction of the speed limit was necessary.

Kolosci will call Tim Tariske to schedule the tire clean up in Golden Township that the board approved last fall.

The website was discussed, Sheryl Miller of Chatterbox inc. was present, and she explained to the board the reasons why the present Golden Township.org site owned by Dr. Roseman could not be found by the search engines. The board feels it is important to have an official website and have formed a sub-committee to research the subject.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Cargill to use a committee of 2 Ackley and Kolosci to pursue the website design and text all yes motion carried.

Motion by Cargill Support by Fuehring to approve the Oceana County Road Commission to do the road brining, chloride at 26 %, amount \$375.00 per mile -Roll call vote Fuehring, Ackley, Cargill, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

Motion by Ackley support by Fuehring to approve the Fire Department contract for 2005/2006 in the amount of \$67398.00. Roll call vote Ackley, Cargill, Walsworth, Fuehring, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

Motion by Fuehring support by Cargill to hire Don Vega to grind the stumps at the cemetery. Roll call vote, Cargill, Walsworth Fuehring, Ackley, Kolosci, all yes motion carried.

Discussion on moving the existing street lights from downtown to Johnson square and the purchasing of ~~purchase 6~~ new lights, install cement pads and photo cells to run from dusk to dawn. Mike Blackmer has offered to do the work for time and materials.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Ackley to hire Blackmer to do the work at Johnson square not to exceed \$4545.00. Roll call vote Kolosci, Walsworth, Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring, all yes motion carried.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Ackley to approve the All Seasons contract to rent 4 porta potties from May 1 to Sept 31 at \$64.00 each per month. Roll call vote Fuehring, Cargill, Ackley, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

The Xerox copy machine was discussed everyone agreed that the problems we have had with the machine are unacceptable we have a satisfaction guarantee and we are not satisfied and never  
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have been. The company only wants to make us sign another lease for a different machine. The board feels the contract has been broken and are unwilling to pay Xerox any more money.

Motion Fuehring Support by Kolosci, to stop all payment on the Xerox machine and have the company pick it up due to the lack of satisfaction we were promised. All yes motion carried

Motion by Ackley, Support by Fuehring to purchase a sharp copy machine amount \$2800.00 and pay the .0125 cents per copy. Roll call vote Fuehring, Walsworth, Ackley, Cargill, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

Motion by Cargill support by Ackley to name a private road in Alexander Subdivision by requests of Gerald Sparbeck, WoodRidge Drive. All yes motion carried.

Kolosci and Cargill will attend the District meeting in May cost \$130.00.

Motion by Ackley support by Fuehring to approve the cost of \$130.00 for the district meeting. Roll call vote Fuehring, Ackley, Cargill, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

A cemetery Data base and mapping program and a general ledger program by Pontem software were discussed.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Ackley to purchase the Cemetery data and Mapping program, with support, cost \$2330.00. Also [to purchase the accounting programs](#), contingent on the capabilities of the General Ledger program, payroll and support, cost \$3371.50. Roll call vote Fuehring, Cargill, Ackley, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

[Supervisor Walsworth asked for](#) Public comment was asked for Keith reminded the board of the no parking signs that were approve last year for W. Silver Lake rd. Walsworth will call R.C. The dumping on the snake trail, the west end of Hazel, Wilson, and Filmore roads were discussed it was suggested the Township look into putting up No dumping signs with penalty, it was said that even with proof the Sheriffs department will do nothing. The township will look into why it has not been pursued.

Walter Webster of Lite-Wave communications informed the board that North Star cable would now be know as Lite-Wave Communications. Kolosci will contact the Township attorney to see what will need to be done as the Franchise is in the name of North Star Cable. Lite-Wave has a different tax ID number than North Star and the insurance certificate received 4/12/2005 is still in the name of North Star Cable, it does not mention Lite-Wave. Kolosci will call Denise of North Star as soon as the answers [from the Township attorney](#) are obtained.

Pam Walker Golden Township assessor has asked that the board go into closed session to discuss her contract.

Motion by Kolosci Support by Cargill to go into closed session to discuss the assessor's contract. Roll call vote Fuehring, Cargill, Ackley, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

[Regular meeting resumed at 10:15pm](#)

Motion by Kolosci support by Fuehring to adjourn the meeting time 10:16 pm.

Laurie Kolosci  
Golden Township Clerk

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