

Truth-In- Taxation hearing was held July 11th, 2006 the hearing was called to order by Chairman Walsworth at 7:15 p.m. Members present Walsworth, Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring and Kolosci.

With the hearing the Township revenue will be \$365,602.93 and without the hearing revenue would be \$348,153.85 a difference of \$17,449.08.

As the public notice which was ran in the Herald Journal stated there will be an increase of .1349 mills in the operating tax mileages rate to be levied in 2006.

Motion by Kolosci Support by Cargill to close the hearing at 7:30 p.m., Motion carried.

Laurie Kolosci
Golden Township Clerk

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
JULY 11TH, 2006
GOLDEN TOWNSHIP HALL

The regular monthly meeting of the Golden Township board was called to order by Chairman Walsworth at 7:30 p.m., Members present Walsworth, Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring and Kolosci.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Motion by Cargill, Support by Fuehring to approve the June 7th, 2006 special meeting minutes, all yes motion carried.

Motion by Cargill, Support by Ackley to approve the June 13th, 2006 regular monthly meeting minutes all yes motion carried.

A letter asking for a donation to the Silver Lake Fireworks display was read, it was determined that it is a legal expenditure under MCL 123.721. It was said that the board would consider the request at a later date, as the holiday has passed.

Motion by Ackley, Support by Fuehring to approve the Treasurers report, all yes motion carried.

The bills were reviewed and explained:

Motion by Fuehring, Support by Ackley to approve check numbers 11707-11748 totaling \$66,743.63, Roll Call vote Walsworth, Ackley, Cargill, Fuehring and Kolosci all yes motion carried.

The zoning report was reviewed, 21 zoning permits have been issued and 1 Land division application has been received.

The Mike Fuller campground violation and possible DEQ violations were discussed and have not been resolved at this time.

Val Du Lakes Campground was discussed Friday June 29th, 2006 Whelpley was called for a noise complaint, Whelpley stated that Mr. Fitzpatrick was taking care of the problem and that at 1:00 a.m. it was getting better. Whelpley called Buzz Angel the next morning and told him that a ticket was to be issued if another call was received.

No calls received Saturday or Sunday.

3 Junk Complaints have been filed, One on Eighth St. and 2 on 56th Ave. and notification to the building inspector of a dwelling being occupied with an occupancy permit.

The Swedish Church will be moved to the Mears Historical Park area, with plans approved by the Planning Commission.

The Wind Powered generator ordinance review process was discussed; it was felt that it will probably come to the board for approval in August.

Whelpley told of the problems Mr. Shaw has been having on Sandia Drive. Zoning Administrator has had conversation with the owner of the cottage where the problems have been occurring and informed him of the complaints received.

Whelpley informed the board that Gil Lake was seriously injured in a car accident out of state.

The vandalism at the Johnson Square Park was discussed; the weather vane is missing, broken rungs, 2 broken lamp posts and 3 trees damaged. Whelpley said that the Lions club had made a commitment to maintain the gazebo when they built it and will replace the broken rungs.

Peter Land Division was reviewed and with all requirements being met it is recommended the board approve the split

Motion by Fuehring, Support by Ackley to approve the Peter Land Division Parcel 64-006-027-400-04 all yes motion carried.

Motion by Ackley support by Cargill to appoint the following election inspectors Flossie Shaw, Mary Davidson, Joan VanderWeele, Deb Debrot, Rachel Iteen, Bill Brubaker, Sharon Snider and Mindy Whitney, all yes motion carried.

The D.A.R.E. program was discussed; cost per student is \$5.33 with 10 Golden students being the program.

Motion by Fuehring, Support by Ackley to approve \$53.33 be paid to the D.A.R.E. program for our golden students, roll call vote Fuehring, Ackley, Cargill, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

A new youth football program was presented to the board by Brad Whitney and Andrew ???. The Oceana Buccaneers will run similar to the Oceana Cowboys program with ages 5-11 being eligible. There will be 3 teams 5-7 year olds, 8-9 and 10-11.

Registration fee will be \$25.00 to be used for field fees, uniforms etc. coaches are all volunteer. Whitney stated that when and if the county rec. program were to start up again that they would work together. It was said that 75 kids have all ready signed up and paid.

The Township has in the passed given \$1200.00 to the Oceana Co. rec. program and that with the recreation program disbanding that the Township could help to support the new venture it was felt that youth programs are needed.

Motion by Fuehring support by Cargill to give \$1200.00 to the Oceana Buccaneers football program, roll call vote: Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring, Kolosci and Walsworth all yes motion carried.

The OCRC bid for Log rd. was discussed with discrepancies in the bid and work order it was said that we should approve the OCRC bid for \$135,046.00 and discuss the other charges with OCRC at a later date.

Motion by Cargill Support by Ackley to approve \$135,046.00 and accept the OCRC bid for Log rd. roll call vote Kolosci, Fuehring, Ackley, Walsworth & Cargill all yes motion carried.

Motion by Fuehring, support by Cargill to advance the OCRC \$70,000.00 on the Log rd. work, roll call vote Ackley, Cargill, Walsworth, Fuehring and Kolosci all yes motion carried.

Auditors were discussed, it was said that the Treasurer and Clerk preferred to have an auditor from the area so that they could be more accessible for assistance. Hendon and Slate P.C. bid in the amount of \$2900.00 for the March 31 2006 year ending, with contingency charges for things like GASB 34, Management and analysis requirements would also be additional charges.

Motion by Cargill, Support by Ackley to hire Hendon and Slate P.C. as the Township auditing firm for the year ending March 31, 2006 in the amount of \$2900.00 and contingency costs if needed. Roll call vote, Walsworth, Cargill, Fuehring Ackley and Kolosci all yes motion carried.

The Silver Lake Corridor project was discussed and a date for the public hearing must be set.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Ackley to set the Public hearing for the Silver Lake Rd. Corridor project for September 13, 2006 7:30 p.m. at the Mears Methodist Church community Hall all yes motion carried.

Motion by Ackley support by Fuehring to approve BS&A training for the assessor in the amount of \$100.00 roll call vote Cargill, Walsworth, Ackley, Fuehring and Kolosci. All yes motion carried.

Motion by Cargill support by Fuehring that the total Township millage in 2006 for General and Roads be 2.8265 mills, all yes motion carried. (oper. 1.0186/Rds. 1.8079)

Public input was asked for:

Mr. Fitzpatrick of Val-Du-Lakes campground has asked the board to write a letter give our consent for 53 overflow campsites for Labor Day. Fitzpatrick stated that he has 87 legal sites. Fitzpatrick stated he would be renting portable showers and restrooms to be in compliance with the Health Department.

The board felt that more time to look into the matter was needed and were not ready to commit to Mr. Fitzpatrick's request. The issue will be revisited at the end of the month.

Kolosci stated that with the Fireworks problems, noise issues etc. while meeting with Sheriff Prince the Township may want to consider an additional officer in Silver Lake. This will hinge on whether the DNR grant will allow for an additional officer. The DNR grant must be filed in August for the existing funds for 1 officer in the Silver Lake area as well as the additional funds that will be asked for.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Kolosci to approve up to \$5000.00 for an additional officer for the Silver Lake area in 2007 provided the DNR grant is approved by the State. Roll call vote Fuehring, Ackley, Kolosci, Walsworth and Cargill all yes motion carried.

Edwin Johnson stated that he is opposed to the closing of some of the alleyways etc. in the village of Mears and that we should pay close attention to utility right of ways and that Center St. by the post office should not be abandoned.

Mr. Johnson also asked to the board allow the trimming of the cemetery trees on Fox. To allow for the moving of the Swedish Church. He also stated that the trees had been planted by Glen Rickard over 50 years ago.

Mr. Johnson also told of his support for Dick Walsworth who will run for a seat on the Great Lakes energy board, also that Dick has had a 5 way bypass and is recovering well.

Walt Ashley told of a couple of parcels in Lake Michigan Shores that houses were suppose to be built and that had allowed the owners to camp on the property until the homes were built and that the homes have not yet been built and years have gone by. He also discussed the Timberlake P.U.D. and the beach, active campers having access to the beach was to be for the traveling public and he felt that the memberships were being sold to the persons who buy lots behind the campground in Timberlake Terrace.

Joe Eilers spoke to the board stating he would be running for a seat on the OCRC at the August primary.

It was asked that the children playing sign be replaced on Harbor St. by the dead end no outlet sign.

Also that the pedestrian sign by the State Park be turned around as it is unreadable at this time.

Motion by Kolosci support by Fuehring to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Laurie Kolosci
Golden Township Clerk