

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP  
AUGUST 14, 2018  
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, Gary Beggs

Absent: None

Also present: Rob Draper, Zoning Administrator; Scott VanSingel, State Representative; and 32 guests.

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

Correspondence:

1. Anonymous – Zoning
2. Wayne and Connie Van Huis – Rental Fee

Scott VanSingel, State Representative for Oceana, Newago, and Lake Counties, spoke to the group concerning the past two years. He is on the ballot again this year.

**The Treasurer read the Financial Report.** The ending balance in the Fund as of August 14, 2018 was as follows: General Fund \$176,966.02; Road fund \$221,611.69; Fire Fund \$30,886.11; Park/Recreation Cash Fund \$7,121.76.

**Bills:** Motion by Mr. Walsworth, supported by Mr. Beggs to pay check numbers 17491 through 17544 and EFT 102 in the general fund for the amount of \$75,869.88. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

**Zoning Report:** There were 66 permits this year 25 of which are new homes.

**Parks Report:** Mrs. Cargill stated that they are getting bids on new park signs.

**-Ordinance #2** has been amended as presented pending review by the township's lawyer. Roll call vote: Walsworth, yes; Fuehring, no; Beggs, yes; Iteen, yes, the motion carried.

**Fire Report:** Mr. Beggs was voted chairman on the fire board again, and Bruce Mull was voted member at large.

**Road Report:** Tar and chip was put down and most of the projects are almost completed.

**Planning Commission:** Public hearing was held for the master plan. There will be a booth at the Applefest for public comments.

**Sewer Report:** Representatives from Fleis & Vandenbrink Engineering, Inc. gave updates and answered many questions.

Old Business: None

New Business:

**Frontier Phone Contract:** Motion by Mr. Walsworth, supported by Mrs. Cargill to approve the new contract with Frontier which reduced the bill from \$216.71 to \$132.96. All yes, the motion carried.

**Missing Road Signs at Lake Michigan Shores:** Mr. Walsworth will investigate.

**Art Fair:** Art Fair Committee will meet to discuss the art fair. Mr. Fuehring will arrange the meeting.

**Silver Lake Improvement Board:** Mrs. Cargill is resigning from this board and Golden Township is looking for a replacement.

**Public discussion:**

-Mark Borst asked about the following items:

Fireworks

Parking at the lake access all weekend

Short term Rentals

Mobil venders

-Bill Bryker spoke about a state statue for septic systems and stated that the water in Silver Lake is cleaner than three years ago.

-Carolyn Fleming asked about 5 boat trailers on county property at the corner of W. Silver Lake and Scofield.

-A resident asked about the dune access signs that direct duners onto Ridge Road. The sign is missing.

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen  
Golden Township Clerk