

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2005

The regular monthly meeting of the Golden Township board was called to order by chairman Walsworth at 7:30 pm at the Golden Township Hall. Members present Walsworth, Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring & Kolosci. The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Fuehring support by Cargill to approved the minutes of the August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005 meeting with the following corrections, check numbers 11264-11333. Skipped check numbers are 11287-11319. Davila residence corrected should read Ormsby residence. It was felt by the board that in the best interest of the Township the road system that exists should be abandoned; only the roads that are solely owned by the Township will be affected. All yes motion carried

Update on the data conversion process Genter has completed another 44 parcels. It was said that a new computer is needed for the conversion process. Cargill has contacted BS & A to see exactly what we need but has not received the information.

Motion by Walsworth, Support by Fuehring, to allow Cargill and Kolosci to determine what is needed and make the purchase. Roll Call vote Fuehring, Ackley, Cargill, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

A letter was read from the Road Commission to inform the Township that the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture will be cutting down the emerald ash bore detection trees in the right of ways, 4 in each Township in the county.

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

Motion by Ackley Support by Fuehring to approve check numbers 11290-11319 and 11334-11346 totaling \$18,375.48. Roll call vote Walsworth, Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring, Kolosci all yes motion carried.

The zoning administrator Jake Whelpley reported 8 zoning permits issued no ZBA meeting and 2 Planning Commission meetings.

Whelpley also reported that at the Planning Commission meeting it was mentioned that the P.C. was asked by members of the audience to place a moratorium on the Ag district and that the P.C. is planning to recommend the same to the Township Board.

Whelpley gave the Board information on the purchase of development rights and explained that there may be money available from the state.

An update on the junk ordinances filed by Golden Township was given Gil Lake has left the area action will be determined by the prosecutor. Ormsby and Rosse/Levy have been served. Those not yet served are Valentine and Shearer. Officer Sailor the Junk Ordinance enforcer wrote and apologized to the people of Golden Township he stated that with other responsibilities, he only has 4 to 6 hours to work on the Junk complaints.

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Motion by Fuehring, Support by Ackley to re-appoint 3 members of the Planning Commission for a 3 year term, Helen Lefler, Terry Wiegand and Bill Kolenda all yes motion carried.

Manley Robinson of the Zoning Board of Appeals has asked not to be reappointed. Whelpley asked that Ted Beatty be made a permanent ZBA member and an alternate to take Beattys place will be sought.

Motion by Fuehring, Support by Cargill to appoint Ted Beatty as a permanent member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, all yes motion carried.

The New John Deere mower and leaf collection system were discussed. The mower purchase has been approved by roll call vote check #11345 for \$3748.09.

Motion by Ackley, Support by Cargill, to purchase a Trac-Vac collection system for the cemetery in the amount of \$1850.00. Roll call vote Cargill, Ackley, Fuehring, Walsworth, Kolosci all yes, motion carried.

Val-Du-Lakes was discussed it was noted that there have been numerous complaints over many years and that something needs to be done. Talk of pulling the P.U.D. was discussed. Whelpley said he will investigate the legal avenues available to the Township to ensure Mr. Hundleys compliance. Ed McNeely the Township attorney will be contacted as well.

Kolosci explained the cemetery marker project and how all the alley and block markers had been either found or measured and marked. We now need to find a permanent solution for marking. Kolosci had several ideas, Fuehring stated we should research further.

Kolosci told of ideas for setting up clean up days for Golden Township, Kolosci explained several options to the board. The board will research the options and make a decision at a later date. (on file)

Motion by Walsworth, Support by Fuehring to have Kolosci compose a letter to the Planning Commission asking that they revisit the Wind Powered Generator portion of the Zoning ordinance. All yes motion carried.

Cargill gave an update on the Silver Lake Corridor project, noting that the ideas from business owners and members of the community were the driving force behind the project and that information was available should anyone be interested.

Public input was asked for by Chairman Walsworth.

It was ask if the Township could look into an agreement with the Road Commission for cleaning off the existing bike path.

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Kolosci reported that the abandonment of the Township owned Lake Michigan shores roads was under way and the Public mtg. is set for September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Keith Adams reported that Shell gas has still not taken care of the signs etc. Walsworth will contact Shell.

Golden Township Park parking lot was discussed and the trash situation Kolosci reported that the Township had contacted Marks waste removal and to date had still not received a bill and are not really sure if he has picked anything up. Kolosci told of an idea for pad for porta potties and trash bins, the board stated that they had already tried the idea and failed.

Complaints about North Star/Lite Wave were heard channel 8 has been out for a month and the person reporting to the board said she was told that she would receive a .03 a day credit for fox. Another reported that the internet had not been working properly for sometime. It was asked what the board could do to make the company compliant and what the board could do to protect the people of the Township. Walsworth stated that you can switch services at anytime. The franchise Golden Township holds with NorthStar cable was discussed, Kolosci reported that the information she had received from the company had been forwarded to the Township attorney. It was also noted that LiteWave has a different tax I.D. number from Northstar and that WMIS who bills separately should probably have a franchise with the Township as well. Kolosci will contact the attorney and find out exactly what the Township needs to resolve the situation.

Motion by Fuehring Support by Cargill to adjourn the meeting, meeting adjourned 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Laurie Kolosci  
Golden Township Clerk