

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP  
March 12, 2019  
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, Gary Beggs

Absent: Richard Walsworth

Also present: Rob Draper, Zoning Administrator; Ed McNeely, Township Lawyer; David Bluhm, ~~Flies & Vandenbrink~~ **Fleis & Vandenbrink** (proposed sewer engineer company) and 78 guests.

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

**Public Comment:** (Please forgive any misspelled names.)

- Dave Lone - Sewer is not cost effective please seek alternatives.
- Linda Chapman - Question on new assessments
- Denise Rust - The step system has inspections every 2-3 years. Are those inspections done by the health department? Need to request personal from the health department.
- Bonnie Scholten - Talked to Rob about septic inspections when properties are sold.
- Barbara Bidwell - When are we going to get the answers to the questions asked last meeting?
- David Fatseas – Hear the people, change the April meeting to June or July.
- Scott Schweizer – Agrees with moving the April meeting to a later date.
- David Doxey – I understand that it is the extent of the board to have a survey for the people after the April 13 meeting. How about the community helping to enforce the ordinance on inspecting septic systems.
- Nance Husk – We need feedback. Hunters Creek dumps 56% of pollution in the lake. How will the sewer fix this?
- Elizabeth Dangremond – We gave direct questions to the engineering firm. When are we going to get answers? Also is phase II in or not in?
- Bob Busscher – The township could give money to the health department to enforce septic inspections.
- Julie Sharpsteen – 1.2 million to engineering firm? I submitted 20 questions, yet no answers.
- Carl Kaat – Answer questions
- Resident – Need answers
- Margie Crouch – If the township is not enforcing now, how will it enforce a new one.

**Assessors Report:** The reappraisal is complete. The rolls were in 98% override. Now all parcels have land value, improvement value, and building value. Golden Township has 3600 parcels. Mrs. Eaton received general questions and answered them.

**Zoning:** Had four zoning permits, and 157 rental permits with more coming in.

**Park:** Received 50% grant for the land acquisition for the township park at Silver Lake Sand Dunes. So far the township has received matching funds of \$25,000 from the Wm. R. Lathers Charitable Trust, and \$5,000 from the Silver Lake Sand Dunes Apple BBQ Festival (Applefest).

**Fire:** HAFB is increasing from .65 mills to .75 mills beginning July 2021, and to .85 mills in July 2022.

**Planning Commission:** Public Hearing on storage containers will be held on March 26, at 7:30. There will also be a public hearing for the Master Plan at a later date.

**The Treasurer read the Financial Report.** The ending balance in the Fund as of March 12, 2019 was as follows: General Fund \$198,639.98; Road fund \$203,845.43; Capitol Savings Fund \$12,560.88.

**Bills:** Motion by Mr. Beggs, supported by Mrs. Cargill to pay check numbers 17768 through 17798, and EFT 109 in the general fund for the amount of \$41,618.02. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

**New Business:**

**Budget:** Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Beggs to approve the 2019-2020 budget. Roll call all yes, the motion carried.

2019-20 Golden Township Budget		
General Fund		
Revenues		
000	000	584,440
Expenditures		
000	000	
101	Township Board	111,900
171	Supervisor	15,414
215	Clerk	29,659
247	Board of Review	5,700
253	Treasurer	45,280
257	Assessor	66,654
262	Elections	7,000
265	Building & Grounds	38,700
276	Cemetery	20,300
301	Police	30,000
336	Fire Department	37,500
445	Drains	5,000
448	Street Lighting	4,500
722	Zoning	75,900
790	Library	15,000
901	Debt Service	<u>16,800</u>
		524,907

### **GOLDEN TOWNSHIP GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT**

Golden Township resolves:

SECTION 1. This resolution shall be known as the Golden Township 2019 General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 2. Public Hearing on the Budget – pursuant to MCLA141.412 and .413, notice of a public hearing on the proposed budget was published in a newspaper of general circulation on January 31, 2019 and a public hearing on the proposed budget was held on February 12, 2019.

SECTION 3. The Golden Township Board adopts the 2019-2020 fiscal year budgets for the various funds by department.

SECTION 4. The Golden Township Board shall cause to be levied and collected the general property tax on all real and personal property within the Township upon the current tax roll and allocated mileage of 1.2380 mill township operations; and voter authorized millage of 1.938 mills for road maintenance and repair, and .4845 mills for fire protection.

SECTION 5. All claims against the Township shall be approved by the Golden Township Board prior to being paid, prepayment will be allowed for Card member Services, Larson’s, Frontier, Great Lakes Energy, and Consumers Energy.

SECTION 6. Included in the budget are the following amounts of the salary, hourly and per diem rates for the officials and employees of the Township:

- Per Diem – PC, ZBA, and Road - \$100; Chairman and Secretary \$150
- Board Trustees - \$200 per meeting + \$2,500 per year salary
- Supervisor - \$13,739
- Assessor - \$43,554
- Clerk - \$19,459
- Deputy Clerk - \$16.00 per hour
- Elections - \$13.00 per hour
- Treasurer - \$25,880
- Deputy Treasurer - \$16.00 per hour
- Zoning - \$50,000
- Board of Review - \$20.00 per hour

SECTION 7. Estimated revenues and expenditures for Golden Township for the funds are:

General – \$584,440 Revenue	\$582,407 Expense
Road – 391,163 Revenue	\$353,000 Expense
Fire Fund - \$126,300 Revenue	\$125,940 Expense
Park Fund - \$159,700 Revenue	\$151,200 Expense
Silver Lake Trail Fund - \$28,750 Revenue	\$ 28,750 Expense

MOTION made by Mrs. Cargill, seconded by Mr. Beggs, to adopt the forgoing resolution and General Appropriations Act. Upon roll call vote the following voted:

Ayes: Mr. Fuehring, Mr. Beggs, Mrs. Cargill, Mrs. Iteen

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Walsworth

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted on the 12th day of March, 2018.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Carl Fuehring, Supervisor

### **Resolution to Establish Township Officers Salary**

This resolution can be used in the absence of an annual meeting and absent a salary commission established according to MCL 41.95(4).

WHEREAS, pursuant to MCLA 41.95(3). Which provides that in a township that does not hold an annual meeting, the salary of officers composing the township board shall be determined by the township board, and

WHEREAS, the board of Golden Township deems it desirable to adjust the salary of the township Supervisor, Treasurer, and Clerk to ensure that compensation for these positions remain equitable and commensurate with the duties of said elective office (or provide other rationale for salary adjustment), now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that as of **April 1, 2019**, the salary for the following township offices:

**Supervisor** shall be Thirteen thousand, seven hundred thirty-nine dollars (\$13,739.00).

The foregoing resolution offered by board member \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Beggs

Supported by board member \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Iteen \_\_\_\_\_

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted: Aye: Beggs, Iteen, Cargill, Fuehring  
Nay: None  
Absent: Walsworth

The supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

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Rachel Iteen, Clerk

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**Treasurer** shall be Twenty-five thousand, eight hundred eighty dollars (\$25,880.00).

The foregoing resolution offered by board member \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Beggs \_\_\_\_\_

Supported by board member \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Iteen \_\_\_\_\_

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted: Aye: Fuehring, Iteen, Beggs, Cargill  
Nay: None  
Absent: Walsworth

The supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

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**Clerk** shall be Nineteen thousand, four hundred fifty-nine dollars (\$19,459.00).

The foregoing resolution offered by board member \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Beggs \_\_\_\_\_

Supported by board member \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Iteen \_\_\_\_\_

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted: Aye: Cargill, Beggs, Fuehring, Iteen

Nay: None

Absent: Walsworth

The supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

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Rachel Iteen, Clerk

**Jeep Invasion:** Motion by Mrs. Iteen, supported by Mrs. Cargill to approve outdoor gathering (\$450 fee) for Jeep Invasion on June 1, 2, and 3<sup>rd</sup>, with the fireworks on June 2 with the alternate day of July 20 if rain. Parade on Sunday coinciding with Blessing of the Dunes. All yes, the motion carried.

**Marijuana Prohibition Ordinance:** Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Beggs to approve the following ordinance. Roll Call vote all yes, the motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 54  
TOWNSHIP OF GOLDEN  
COUNTY OF OCEANA, STATE OF MICHIGAN  
ADOPTED: MARCH 12, 2019  
EFFECTIVE: MARCH 21, 2019**

**PROHIBITION OF RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS ORDINANCE**

An ordinance to provide a title for the ordinance; to define words; to prohibit marihuana establishments within the boundaries of Golden Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951, *et seq.*, as may be amended; to provide penalties for violation of this ordinance; to provide for severability; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith; and to provide an effective date.

**THE TOWNSHIP OF GOLDEN  
OCEANA COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**ORDAINS:  
SECTION I  
TITLE**

This ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the Golden Township Prohibition of Marihuana Establishments Ordinance.

**SECTION II  
DEFINITIONS**

Words used herein shall have the definitions as provided for in Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951, *et seq.*, as may be amended.

**SECTION III  
NO MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS**

Golden Township hereby prohibits all marihuana establishments within the boundaries of the Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL 333.27951, *et seq.*, as may be amended.

**SECTION IV  
VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES**

1. Any person who disobeys neglects or refuses to comply with any provision of this ordinance or who causes allows or consents to any of the same shall be deemed to be responsible for the violation of this

ordinance. A violation of this ordinance is deemed to be a nuisance per se.

2. A violation of this ordinance is a municipal civil infraction, for which the fines shall not be less than \$100 nor more than \$500, in the discretion of the Court. The foregoing sanctions shall be in addition to the rights of the Township to proceed at law or equity with other appropriate and proper remedies. Additionally, the violator shall pay costs which may include all expenses, direct and indirect, which the Township incurs in connection with the municipal civil infraction.

3. Each day during which any violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.

4. In addition, the Township may seek injunctive relief against persons alleged to be in violation of this ordinance, and such other relief as may be provided by law.

5. This ordinance shall be administered and enforced by the Ordinance Enforcement Officer of the Township or by such other person (s) as designated by the Township Board from time to time.

**SECTION V**  
**SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any clause, sentence, word, section or provision is hereafter declared void or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the remainder of such ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION VI**  
**REPEAL**

All ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION VII**  
**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall take effect March 21, 2019.

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP  
Rachel Iteen, Clerk

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New Computers: Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mrs. Iteen to approve the purchase of four new computers for the offices of: Treasurer, Clerk, Assessor, Zoning, and also a new server for the amount of \$8834.00. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.  
Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen  
Golden Township Clerk