

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP
MARCH 9, 2021
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, Bill Kolenda

Board Member Also Present: Gary Beggs - participated by Zoom.

Also, present: Mr. Draper, Zoning Administrator; Ed McNeely, Township Attorney; 2 guest, and 3 guests by Zoom.

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

Agenda: Motion by Mr. Kolenda, supported Mrs. Iteen to approve the agenda as written.

Public Comment:

-Carl Kaat joked about needing a bigger room because the gym echoes.

Correspondence: None

The Treasurer read the Financial Report. The ending balance in the fund as of March 9, 2021 was as follows: General Fund \$130,124.73; Road fund \$66,185.94; Capitol Savings Fund \$2,690.43. The Michigan Class investment funds for the above funds are as follows: GF \$234,575; RF \$418,607; CSF \$92,616.

Bills: Motion by Mrs. Iteen, supported by Mr. Kolenda to pay check numbers 18655 – 18690, and EFT 137 in the general fund for the amount of \$37,239.74. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Reports:

Zoning: There were 16 permits; 7 were for new homes. 137 Rental permits have come in so far for 2021.

Donald Ricks Land Division: Parent parcel # 006-027-100-13. 2 divisions were requested on Wilson Road.

ZBA Appointments: Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Kolenda to appoint Doug Dykstra as a full member of the ZBA from an alternate and Mark Rippee was appointed as an alternate to the ZBA.

Park: Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Kolenda to approve the charging an administration fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) to reserve a pavilion at the Golden Township Parks.

Fire: The fire barn is getting new garage doors on the east side so that the trucks may be driven in from the back of the barn and exit out the front.

Planning Commission: There were two committees that met on the following: Mass Gathering and RV Rentals.

Road: Discussed later in new business.

Old Business: None

New Business:

2021-2022 Budget: Motion by Mrs. Iteen, supported by Mrs. Cargill to approve the budget. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Salary Resolutions: (All three resolutions combined in one for the minutes)

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, 2021**, the salary for the following township offices:

- Supervisor** shall be Fourteen thousand, seven hundred eighteen dollars (\$14,718.00).
- Treasurer** shall be Twenty-seven thousand, seven hundred twenty-three dollars (\$27,723.00).
- Clerk** shall be Twenty thousand, eight hundred forty- five dollars (\$20,845.00).

The foregoing resolution offered by board member Mrs. Cargill

Supported by board member Mr. Kolenda

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

Nay: None

Present via Zoom: Beggs

The supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Rachel Iteen, Clerk

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Golden Township resolves:

SECTION 1. This resolution shall be known as the Golden Township 2021 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 21, 2021 and a public hearing on the proposed budget was held on February 9, 2021.

SECTION 3. The Golden Township Board adopts the 2021-2022 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 millage of 1.23 mill township operations; and voter authorized millage of 1.99 mills for road maintenance and repair, and 1.0 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
- Supervisor - \$14,718
- Assessor - \$46,655
- Clerk - \$20,845
- Deputy Clerk - \$15.45 per hour
- Elections - \$13.00 per hour
- Treasurer - \$27,723
- Deputy Treasurer - \$17.14 per hour
- Zoning - \$53,560
- Board of Review - \$20.00 per hour or minimum \$100/meeting

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

General	\$574,139 Revenue	\$505,251 Expense
Road	\$411,062 Revenue	\$402,000 Expense
Fire Fund	\$196,104 Revenue	\$184,000 Expense
Park Fund	\$32,000 Revenue	\$30,000 Expense
Silver Lake Trail Fund	\$26,760 Revenue	\$26,760 Expense

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

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

Nays: None

Present via zoom: Mr. Beggs

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted on the 9th day of March, 2021.

Signed: _____ Carl Fuehring, Supervisor

Brine Contractor: Motion by Mr. Kolenda, supported by Mrs. Cargill to approve Great Lakes Chloride as the Brine Contractor this year. The brine is thought to be of better quality and is only applied once a year. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Road Projects: Motion by Mr. Kolenda, supported by Mr. Beggs to approve the tabling of this issue for one week so that the board members have time to investigate the roads. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

IT Contract: Motion by Mr. Kolenda, supported by Mrs. Cargill to approve the contractual amount of \$25 an hour for previous work done to initiate the zoom meetings, and \$100 per meeting thereafter. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen
Golden Township Clerk