

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP
APRIL 17, 2024, SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor Carl Fuehring at 1:30pm. The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board present: Carl Fuehring, Connie Cargill, Rachel Iteen, Bill Kolenda, Doug Dykstra

Board members absent: None

Also present: Rob Draper and Ed McNeely, and 8 guests.

Fire:

Budget: There was discussion on the budget and it was mentioned that most of the money is in capital improvements.

Motion by Mr. Kolenda, supported by Mr. Dykstra to approve the Hart Area Joint Fire Administrative Board budget as submitted. Roll call all yes, the motion carried.

Agreement: The fire agreement terminates June 30, 2024. The new agreement will take effect on July 1, 2024 and will terminate on June 30, 2034. There was discussion on the agreement the township received that stated the shares allocated to each entity equivalent to a millage which shall not exceed 2 mils of taxable value.

Motion by Mr. Dykstra, supported by Mr. Kolenda to approve as amended on 4-17-2024, the Hart Area Joint Fire Administrative Board Agreement that says budget shares will be allocated to each party equivalent to a millage which shall not exceed 1 mil of taxable value. Roll call vote all yes, the motion carried.

Township Property on SW corner of Taylor and 34th Avenue:

Emergency Services Building being built on the corner of Taylor and 34th Avenue vendors to be recognized are A & A Land Surveying, Blackmer Construction, Hallack Contracting, Ramer Well Drilling, and C & D (Fuehring) Farms.

Mr. Dykstra is looking into the Public Protection Classification (PPC) or fire score provided by the Insurance Services Office (ISO) to fire departments and insurance companies to see if the residents in Golden Township may benefit with this new building.

Mr. Dykstra is getting bids on a commercial entrance is to be 36' wide in concrete or asphalt. It is also planned to put crushed stone around the building.

Sun Silver Creek RV Resort has been contacted to see if they would be interested in purchasing the township property at the top of the ravine they are using. They have indicated they are not interested and Doug will correspond with them to have their possessions removed.

Roads: Discussion on the roads included the Juniper Beach hill and that an assessment be put on the residents for help pay for the road repair. There was a verbal agreement that the companies that brought the rocks into the area to keep the land from washing out into Lake Michigan would fix the road after the work was complete. Unfortunately, it was not put in writing. Lighthouse Drive, 18th Ave that drains into Silver Lake, and parking signs also need to be addressed.

Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mr. Kolenda to approve the following roads:

a. 52 Ave. Hazel to Baseline overlay	\$270,000
b. Streets of Mears chip and seal	\$115,000
c. Juniper Beach, Deer to the old riding stable crush, shape, new tube, lift and pave OCRC funds from bonds.	\$181,000
d. Ridge, stable to Lake 4050' overlay	\$111,000
e. Ridge, Lake to township line 8066' crush, shape and pave.	+ <u>\$289,000</u>
f. Total	\$966,000
g. Less OCRC Funds	\$181,000
h. Our Share	\$785,000 *Amended \$1,082,000
i. 2023/2024 Budget	\$726,000
j. OCRC Contributions	\$59,000

Roll call vote: Cargill, yes; Kolenda, yes; Dykstra, no; Iteen, yes; Fuehring, yes, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Iteen
Golden Township Clerk

Amendment: There was another road that was included in the motion that was not on the list from the Road Committee: Juniper Beach Road, Ridge to Dead End, crush and shape 5000', township share is \$297,194.09. Payment due March of 2025