

Lyndon Township
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
17751 N. Territorial Rd., Chelsea, MI 48118
Tuesday, September 11, 2007 @ 7:00 PM

APPROVED MINUTES

Members Present: MaryAnn Noah, Linda Reilly, Mary Jane Maze, LeeAnn Shanahan, Katie Francis

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Merritt Honbaum

Noah called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public comment was heard Frank Grohnert, Kenneth Herrst, Gail Nelson, Gale DeSmythe, Charles Snyder, and Jerry Nelson.

Reilly motioned, supported by Maze, to accept the consent agenda as amended with the addition of the *Debt Retirement Payment* under *Treasure's Report*. **Carried 5-0.**

Herrst/Cane Property Collapse: Herrst updated the Board by stating he has not heard anything from his insurance company, AAA. Grohnert reported that Herrst had been in contact with CACA and Herrst had met with representatives from CACA and discussed some type of replaceable wall plan and pricing.

Noah reported she contacted two government agencies seeking resources to help with the property collapse; both the United States Department of Agricultural Rural Development and the office of Community Development said there were no funds/grants available for this type of situation. A low interest loan could be available, however, that would take about two years to acquire.

Noah stated the Township and Road Commission would soon receive letters from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to address soil erosion problems, a Part 31 violation, which must be addressed.

Supervisor's Report: Noah reported on the excellent presentation, turnout, and outcome of the Lake Weed Management Meeting held at Sylvan Township Hall.

Noah discussed the Wireless Washtenaw project delay, expecting it to be pushed out to late spring of '08. In the meantime, a small number of residents were successful in connecting to high-speed Internet through AT&T. Noah urges residents to contact AT&T if they cannot wait until spring; however, this is only available in very limited areas.

Fall Clean Up: The Board approved the sample-polling questionnaire for residents at the Fall Clean Up with a slight modification.

Roof Maintenance – Annex Building: The Board agreed to run an ad in both local papers to accept bids for roof maintenance of the annex building.

Township Minutes: Reilly presented a guide from the Michigan Townships Association titled *Taking Township Minutes* and suggested the Township follow those guidelines when writing minutes for Township meetings. The Board was in agreement.

Parking Lot – Seal Coat/Stripes: Members reviewed quotes for seal coating and striping the parking lot from three different companies. The lowest cost company, Saline Asphalt Paving, Inc., was asked to submit references to the Township. Maze motioned, supported by Reilly, to accept the bid from Saline Asphalt Paving, Inc., based on references, once received. **Carried – 5-0.**

Set Board Representative Term – CACA: Noah reported that Chelsea Area Construction Agency is the only authority under Lyndon Township that does not have a term limit for Board representatives. Shanahan motioned, supported by Noah, to set for the CACA Board representative, the same 4-year term as other authorities of Lyndon Township, i.e. Sylvan Sewer, Leoni Sewer, etc. After further discussion regarding the start of the term limit, Shanahan amended her motion, supported by Noah, to include the start date for the new term limit as 1/1/08. **Carried 5-0.**

Resolution – Opposition to practice requiring only one signature on checks issued by CACA: Reilly proposed a Resolution in opposition of Chelsea Area Construction Agency's new practice requiring only one signature for checks written under \$15,000, thus jeopardizing internal controls. Noah motioned, supported by Maze, to approve a Resolution in opposition of CACA's new practice requiring only one signature on checks written under \$15,000. Roll Call Vote: Noah – Aye; Maze – Aye; Reilly – Aye; Francis – Nay; Shanahan – Nay. **Carried 3-2.**

Policies & Procedures: None

Police Report: No report.

Debt Retirement Payment: Maze motioned, supported by Shanahan, to remit payments to Washtenaw County Public Works in the amounts of \$35,790.76 and \$48,157.94 to pay Lyndon's portion of the Sylvan Sewer System Expansion Debt and Multi-Lakes Sewer System Phase II Debt, respectively. **Carried 5-0.** (Attachments A & B)

Other Business: Shanahan announced her term limit on the Planning Commission will expire in November, 2007, and does not wish to be reappointed to another term. Maze will be on a mission-rebuilding project in Louisiana and will not attend the October Board meeting. Reilly requested all timesheets be submitted no later than Sept. 28 due to Maze's absence.

Public comment was heard from Mark Ouimet, WCRC, and John Reilly, Planning Commission.

Reports:

- *CAFA:* Report by Noah.
- *Multi-Lakes Sewer:* Report by Noah.
- *Leoni Sewer:* Report by Noah.
- *Sylvan Sewer:* Report by Noah.
- *CACA:* Report by Francis.
- *WWRA:* Report by Francis.
- *Ordinance Officer:* Honbaum stated permits were issued for one pole barn and three non-footprint permits.

Francis motioned, supported by Maze, to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Petrie
Office Manager