

LONG LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2008

The regular meeting of the Long Lake Township Board was called to order at 7:00 pm at Long Lake Township Hall, 8870 North Long Lake Rd., Traverse City, MI. Board members present were Wagner, Allen, Templeton, Rosa, Linnerson, Garvin, and Hoffman.

The following business was transacted:

Before public comment was heard, Supervisor Rosa thanked Carol Hoffman and her deputy for a well-run General Election. The Supervisor also thanked Tina Allen for her thirteen years of service as township treasurer and spoke of her many accomplishments while in office.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1) John Margerison: concern re: public comment in relation to “New Business” on the agenda.
- 2) Tom Slater stated the township meetings are televised Friday nights on Channel 99.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Consent Agenda Items:

- Town Board Minutes of October 14, 2008 Regular Meeting
- Treasurer’s Report of 9/30/08
- Land Use Report for October 2008
- Fire Departments: Battalion 10 & G.T. Fire, Rural Division
- Planner’s Report
- Williams & Works Planning Consultants
- Correspondence

Moved by Linnerson supported by Garvin to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA:

Moved by Allen supported by Linnerson to approve the agenda with the removal of item 9. “D”. Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) John Margerison inquired as to who would be taking over the additional duties that Tina Allen performed, above and beyond the duties of township treasurer?
- 2) Roger Watson objected to public comment being only at the beginning and end of the agenda.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None stated.

SPECIAL REPORTS

COUNTY COMMISSION - Commissioner Wheelock was not available to give his report due to another meeting.

G.T. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - There were 166 calls for service in the township for October.

G.T. COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION Supervisor Rosa gave an update on the Cedar Valley Road culvert project. The Road Commission has received a grant for the South Long Lake bike path and will be seeking matching funds.

PENDING BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

SOUTH LONG LAKE NATURAL AREA RULES - There was Board discussion regarding the agreement to revisit these rules following the return of the survey cards sent to township citizens. There was discussion regarding allowing/prohibiting motorized vehicles and firearm hunting. The Supervisor read a letter from Ruth Webster, as requested, in support of prohibiting motorized vehicles and firearm hunting. Moved by Allen supported by Hoffman to direct the township attorney to amend Ordinance #105 striking the language that states "snowmobiles may be operated on designated trails" and to add language allowing bow hunting only. ROLL CALL: Yes: Linnerson, Garvin, Hoffman, Allen, Templeton and Rosa. No: Wagner. Motion carried

ORDINANCE #107, INSPECTION OF ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

Jay Kilpatrick of Williams & Works presented the proposed ordinance. He explained that the county keeps very limited records regarding on-site sewage disposal systems. Mr. Kilpatrick stated that if the township board approves the ordinance today, it would not take effect for 180 days. Board discussion included possibilities of exempting younger systems, standards for approved inspectors, and limiting an ordinance to areas of the township near lakes and wetlands. The Supervisor stated that she had been approached by the Long Lake Association asking that the township continue with this effort.

Moved by Allen supported by Linnerson to approve Ordinance #107, Inspection of On-site Sewage Disposal Systems at the time of property transfer as presented. Roll Call: Yes: Templeton, Allen, Wagner, Hoffman, Garvin, Linnerson and Rosa. No: None. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #106 ZOA 05-08-01, WIND ENERGY CONVERSION - This proposed ordinance was reviewed by County Planning. The Planning Commission has recommended approval by the township board. Moved by Hoffman supported by Garvin to adopt ordinance #106 ZOA 05-08-01 to amend section 3.24 definitions; to amend sections 8.1, 9.1, 10.1, 11.1, 12.1, 13.1 to add a permitted use to each district; to add section 4.22 small wind energy conversion systems; and to add section 14.35 large wind energy conversion systems of the Long Lake Township Zoning Ordinance. ROLL CALL: Yes: Templeton, Linnerson, Garvin, Hoffman, Wagner, Allen and Rosa. No: None. Motion carried.

BUDGET STATUS

No budget amendments needed at this time.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

CHECK REGISTER REPORT: Moved by Garvin supported by Linnerson to approve the Check Register Report, check #27325 thru 27342, and checks #27315 and #27322, totaling \$21,164.07. ROLL CALL: Yes: Linnerson, Garvin, Hoffman, Wagner, Allen, Templeton and Rosa. No: None. Motion carried.

VENDOR SUMMARY REPORT: Moved by Allen supported by Garvin to approve the Vendor Summary Report, Check #27343 thru 27424, totaling \$17,557.62. ROLL CALL: Yes: Garvin, Hoffman, Wagner Allen, Templeton, Linnerson and Rosa. No: None. Motion carried.

NON-GENERAL FUND PAYMENTS: Moved by Garvin supported by Linnerson to approve the bond payments of \$21,342.50 to the Bank of New York. ROLL CALL: Hoffman, Wagner, Allen, Templeton, Linnerson, Rosa and Garvin. No: None. Motion carried.

The November 12, 2008 Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.

REMINDER: The December Township Board Meeting is at 5:00 pm instead of 7:00 pm.

Carol A. Hoffman, Clerk

Lynette Ferman, Recording Secretary

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