



THOMAS TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609  
February 1, 2016  
7:00 o'clock p.m.

1. The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Weise.
2. PRESENT: Weise, Ryder-Petre, Sommers, Weber, Thayer, Brosowski and Radewahn.  
  
ABSENT: None  
  
ALSO PRESENT: Township Manager, Russ Taylor; Fire Chief, Mike Cousins; Director of Community Development, Dan Sika; Deputy Clerk, Betsy Wietfeldt; Parks and Recreation Director, John Corriveau; DPW Director, Rick Hopper; Police Chief, Steve Kocsis; Police Sergeant, Al Fong; Township Attorney, Otto Brandt and 26 interested parties.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Motion was made by Brosowski, seconded by Thayer to approve the agenda with the deletion of "P".

AGENDA  
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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approval of Board Minutes January 4, 2016.
  - B. Approval of Expenditures.
  - C. Receive and acknowledge the retirement of Don Ludwick from the Fire Department.
6. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments  
**It is requested that you state your name and address for the record.**
7. Public Hearing
  - A. Receive and acknowledge comments pertaining to the confirmation of the amended special assessment roll for the Great Lakes Tech Park Street lighting.
  - B. Receive and acknowledge comments pertaining to the confirmation of the special assessment roll for the Great Lakes Tech Park Maintenance of signage, landscaping and green areas within the road right of way.
8. Unfinished Business
  - A. None
9. New Business:
  - A. Approve Resolution 16-04 to amend Resolution 12-26; confirmation of a Special Assessment Roll for the cost recovery of streetlighting in the Great Lakes Tech Park.
  - B. Approve Resolution 16-05, confirmation of a Special Assessment Roll for the cost recovery of Grounds Maintenance at the Great Lakes Tech Park.

- C. Approve Resolution 16-03 to amend the standard streetlighting contract with Consumers Energy to add a streetlight at the corner of Geddes and Palomino.
- D. Approve the Agreement for Services, for Saginaw Future for 2016 in the amount of \$6,000. There is no increase from 2015.
- E. Approve the reconstruction of Leddy Road drainage in the amount of \$55,000.
- F. Approve the amended sanitary sewer service agreement with Loggers Brewery.
- G. Approve the amendments to Administrative Policy 818 – The Subdivision Road Improvement Program.
- H. Authorize the payment to replace a damaged emergency siren to West Shore Services in the amount of \$19,750.
- I. Approve the installation of the South Miller Road Sidewalks from O’Hern to the railroad tracks.
- J. Approve Ordinance 15-Z-06, to amend Section 9.1, A-1 Primary Agricultural and Conservation Development District to allow farm manager housing.
- K. Approve Ordinance 15-Z-07, to amend Section 18.34, Wireless Communication Towers.
- L. Approve Ordinance 15-Z-08, to amend Section 12.5, B-5 Exclusive Business District to allow for single and two family dwellings.
- M. Approve Ordinance 15-Z-09, to amend Section 14-1g1, Guidelines of the Gratiot Road Design and Overlay District.
- N. Award the contract to complete the preliminary trail design for the Thomas Trail from Shields Drive north to Geddes and Miller Roads to Spicer Group in the amount of \$1,500.
- O. Approve the Saginaw County 911 Plan Amendment, to keep dispatching through Saginaw County 911.
- ~~P. Approve the implementation of a six (6) month moratorium on processing new wireless communication tower, special use permits and site plan review application until August 1, 2016.~~

9a. Presentations

- A. Assessing presentation.
- B. Swearing in of Drew Wagner, as a Thomas Township Police Officer.

10. Reports

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| A. Supervisor | D. Manager               | H. Fire Dept.    |
| B. Clerk      | E. Community Development | I. Police Dept   |
| C. Treasurer  | F. DPW                   | J. Parks &       |
|               | G. Finance               | K. Board Members |

Recreation

- 11. Executive Session  
None
- 12. Adjournment

5. It was moved by Brosowski, seconded by Weber to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

- A. Approval of Township Board Minutes from the regular meeting 01/04/2016.
- B. Expenditures consisting of;
 

General Fund	\$ 56,380.43
Public Safety-Fire Department	16,697.60
Fire Apparatus	0.00
Public Safety-Police Department	14,256.98
Public Safety-Drug Law Enforcement	0.00
Downtown Development Authority	5,417.35
Parks	15,705.92
Parks Capital Improvement Fund	0.00
Road Revolving Fund	0.00
HSC Grant Administration	0.00
Sewer Fund	22,227.65
Water Fund	187,557.25
Municipal Refuse	54,969.80
Tax	2,843,140.74
- C. Approve the retirement of Don Ludwick from the Fire Department.

6. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments:
  - A. Jennifer Najawicz- 7985 Dutch Road – is looking forward to the S. Miller Road sidewalks, however, would like someone to really look at the road elevations before they decide on where to put the crossover. The elevations of the roads are such that there is no clear line of sight.
  - B. Dan Scripps – Institute for Energy Innovation, working to solarize Michigan. Working with Bay City, Midland, Saginaw and Thomas Township, who have already proven to be solar friendly.
  - C. Steve Najawicz – Frost Road – He enjoys sidewalks and agrees that the South Miller Road sidewalks should be looked at again. He would also love to see the Thomas Road sidewalks get installed.
7. Public Hearing
  - A. Public Hearing to hear comments pertaining to the amendment to the special assessment roll at the Great Lakes Tech Park for streetlighting was opened at 7:09 and closed at 7:09 with no comment.
  - B. Public Hearing to hear comments pertaining to the confirmation of a special assessment roll at the Great Lakes Tech Park for maintenance of green areas, signage, landscaping and grounds within the road right of way. Public hearing was opened at 7:10 and closed at 7:10 with no public comment.
8. Unfinished Business:
  - A. None
9. New Business:
  - A. It was moved by Sommers, seconded by Ryder-Petre to approve resolution 16-04 to amend resolution 12-26 to confirm the special assessment roll for the Great Lakes Tech Park Street Lighting Special Assessment District.  
Ayes: Weise, Brosowski, Radewahn, Thayer, Ryder-Petre, Sommers  
Nays: Weber  
Abstain: None
  - B. It was moved by Weber seconded by Thayer to approve resolution 16-05 to confirm the special assessment roll for the Great Lakes Tech Park Maintenance special Assessment district.  
Ayes: Weise, Brosowski, Weber, Radewahn, Thayer, Ryder-Petre, Sommers  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None
  - C. It was moved by Radewahn, seconded by Sommers to approve Resolution 16-03 to amend the standard streetlighting contract with Consumers Energy to add a streetlight at the corner of Geddes and Palomino.  
Ayes: Weise, Brosowski, Weber, Radewahn, Thayer, Ryder-Petre, Sommers  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None
  - D. It was moved by Ryder-Petre, seconded by Thayer to approve the agreement for services for Saginaw Future for 2016 in the amount of \$6,000. Motion carried unanimously.
  - E. It was moved by Sommers, seconded by Ryder-Petre to approve the reconstruction of Leddy Road drainage in the amount of \$55,000. Motion carried unanimously.
  - F. It was moved by Thayer, seconded by Sommers to approve the amended sanitary sewer service agreement with Loggers Brewery. Motion carried unanimously.

- G. It was moved by Weber, seconded by Brosofski to approve the amendments to Administrative Policy 818 – the Subdivision Road Improvement Program. Motion carried unanimously.
  - H. It was moved by Sommers, seconded by Radewahn to authorize the payment to replace a damaged emergency siren to West Shore Services in the amount of \$19,750.00. Motion carried unanimously.
  - I. It was moved by Radewahn, seconded by Brosofski to TABLE the installation of sidewalks on South Miller Road from O’Hern to the railroad tracks for further review on sight problems. Motion carried unanimously.
  - J. It was moved by Radewahn, seconded by Sommers to approve Ordinance 15-Z-06, to amend Section 9.1, A-1 Primary Agricultural and Conservation Development District to allow farm manager housing. Motion carried unanimously.
  - K. It was moved by Ryder-Petre, seconded by Sommers to approve Ordinance 15-A-07, to amend Section 18.34, Wireless Communication Towers. Motion carried unanimously.
  - L. It was moved by Brosofski, seconded by Thayer to approve Ordinance 15-Z-08 to amend Section 12.5, B-5 Exclusive business District to allow for single and two family dwellings. Motion carried unanimously.
  - M. It was moved by Brosofski, seconded by Thayer to approve Ordinance 15-Z-09 to amend Section 14-1g1 Guidelines of the Gratiot Road Design and Overlay District. Motion carried unanimously.
  - N. It was moved by Sommers, seconded by Brosofski to award the contract to complete the preliminary trail design for the Thomas Trail from Shield Drive north to Geddes and Miller Road to Spicer Group in the amount of \$1,500. Motion carried unanimously.
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- 9a. A. Assessing presentation.  
B. Swearing in of Drew Wagner, as a Thomas Township Police Officer.
10. Report of Officers and Staff:  
A. Supervisor’s Report – none  
B. Clerk’s Report – thanked Sergeant Fong for his police officer presentation and the swearing in reception for Drew Wagner.  
C. Treasurer’s Report –spoke about the 911 Authority annual report.  
D. Manager’s Report – thanked Sergeant Fong for his presentation, and welcomed Drew to the Police Department.  
E. Receive and file Community Development Reports.  
F. Receive and file the DPW Reports.  
G. Receive and file Finance Departments Reports.  
H. Receive and file Fire Departments Report.  
I. Receive and file Police Departments Reports.  
J. Receive and file Parks and Recreations Reports.  
K. Board Member Reports – None
11. Executive Session:  
A. None

12. It was moved by Brosofski, seconded by Sommers adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m. Carried unanimously.

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Edward Brosofski, Clerk

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Dated