

**Lake Township-Roscommon County  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 14, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.**

The Lake Township Board met on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 for a regular board meeting. Dave Emmons called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America was recited.

**Present:** Dave Emmons-Supervisor, Tonya Clare-Clerk, Harry Trier-Treasurer, Anthony Farhat-Trustee, Peter Klahn-Trustee.

**Motion:** Trier to approve the May 14, 2019 agenda as amended, with addition of checks (42274 through 42280) for approval to pay and correction to new business. **Second:** Clare. **All in Favor.** Clare noted that she stated at the April 9, 2019 meeting that "fiscal year 2018/2019 home office rents due to Clare, Emmons and Trier for use of their homes" should be included in the minutes. **Motion:** Trier to approve April 9, 2019 regular board meeting minutes as amended. **Second:** Farhat All in favor.

Clare read the April 12, 2019 Special Meeting minutes. **Motion:** Emmons to approve. **Second:** Trier. **All in favor.** Clare read April 23, 2019 Special Meeting minutes. **Motion:** Trier to approve. **Second:** Klahn. **All in favor.**

**Correspondence:** Emmons reported that he received notification of the June 1<sup>st</sup> Hazardous Waste Collection from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Roscommon County Road Commission. He also received notice of DEQ placing 24,734 feet of 4 ft fence along wetlands along Old 27. Emmons received notification of spraying for gypsy moths which will be in May through June. Emmons passed along results of a poll by the Resorter regarding medical marihuana, in which 49% agree; 40% say 'too much risk', and 11% are neutral.

**Public Comments:** Julie Brown, Supervisor and Camie Hansen, CFO of Houghton Lake Schools presented an agreement for change in which winter school taxes will be moved to summer tax bills. Treasurer Trier explained that this is only a movement of the collection of school taxes, not an increase in taxable value or property taxes. **Motion:** Trier to accept agreement of school taxes on summer tax collection paying the township \$2.50 fee per parcel. **Second:** Farhat. **All in favor.** A resident feels he should be compensated for time that he missed work due to having to go to court for citation regarding parking of his truck on his property. The court found him legal nonconforming. Mikolaizik received complaint by a resident that cemetery visitors are having to walk across plots to get to other plots. He also asked that the township look into portions of E. Houghton Lake Dr. that has been repaved and is cracking. Representative from Roscommon County Transit reminded of millage proposal renewal on the August ballot. Fire Chief Wrzesinski remarked that cleaning up after people that leave a mess around the recycling bin on a daily basis is not up to the fire department. Clare read two emails in objection of medical marihuana facilities in the township. The board heard comments from residents, one resident spoke of the benefits that has helped aid his multiple sclerosis. Others spoke in opposition.

**Budget Amendments:** Trier reported transfer of \$85.00 from budget to support BS&A software to balance budget. **Motion:** Trier to approve. **Second:** Emmons. **All in favor.**

**Financial Report:** Trier presented the Treasurer's Report–Period ending April 30, 2019 and made it available to the public which he reported currently balances. Trier explained transfer of \$85,000 from fire equipment fund Chemical Bank leaving \$67,038.78 in fire equipment, and transferring to Chase Bank Sewer Fund for a balance of \$253,079.76 next month. **Motion:** Trier to transfer \$100,000 from checking to money fund and \$30,000 from general fund to street light fund. **Second:** Emmons. **All in favor.** Trier reported David Jay is selling property he has on land contract and the township will receive full payment. Trier also reported the township opted out of the purchase of property on E. Houghton Lake Dr., offered by Roscommon County for the cost of unpaid property tax of \$1,333.41.

**Approval to Pay the Bills:** T. Clare provided the public with the credit card distribution report as well as a report of all payroll and accounts payable checks, including descriptions, written since April 9, 2019. **Motion:** Trier to approve to pay the bills (check # 42238 through #42280). **Second:** Klahn All in favor.

**Fire Chief's Report:** Fire Chief Wrzesinski provided a written report including an Incident Summary Review, Policy and Procedure Review, and monthly expenditures. Wrzesinski reported resignation of Chris Dilts as Lieutenant of Township Fire Department, however will continue as a firefighter. The fire department would like to plan an Ox Roast this summer.

**Ordinance Enforcement Officer's Report:** Judge reported that he emailed all board members an updated report of complaints and land use permits issued.

**Planning Commission Report:** Carpenter reported meeting held on April 16, 2019. Annual election of officers was held with no changes. Carpenter asked the board to run an ad for a recording secretary/hall maintenance person as Wojey resigned. Unfinished business: medical marihuana, members will attend MTA conference on May 16, 2019. New business: Rental homes. Items for review: township hall will be discussed at next meeting, as well as reviewing Ordinance 55. Planning Commission presented recommendations on township hall with concerns by fire department. Member Stringfellow submitted draft of Medical Marihuana Facilities Ordinance.

Emmons suggested a building committee of 2-3 persons to discuss township hall, Clare suggested a work session or public meeting. Trier suggested exploring grants/bonds.

**ZBA Report:** None

**Assessor's Report:** Houserman reported one land division application which was denied.

**Supervisor's Report:** Emmons reported on the meetings that he has attended this month. Emmons asked for volunteers to help clean up vines, etc., at the road end by the river.

Emmons and Clare reported they attended the Roscommon County Road Commission meeting which was very informative. They will be attending a grant class on May 21, 1019.

Emmons reported 2019/2020 budget: Assessed value of Lake Township: \$122,684,000. Allocated for Operations: 90.90; fire operations 95.56; fire equipment 74.14: roads 74.14; total of 3.3474.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:**

Farhat found that a deed was not recorded for someone that is buried in township cemetery. **Motion:** Farhat to approve to create a deed numbered 299.9. **Second:** Emmons. **All in favor.** Farhat asked for volunteer group to mark graves.

**Motion:** Clare to put ad in paper for demolition of dangerous buildings at 5053 Fred Crooks and 8801 E. Houghton Lake Dr. **Second:** Emmons. **All in favor.** Extension granted to 100 Island Dr. to table until next month.

Lake Township logo draft was presented to the public for suggestions.

**Motion:** Clare to purchase eight (8) of the latest version of MTA guides. **Second:** Klahn. **All in favor.**

**Motion:** Clare to run ad for Planning Commission and ZBA recording secretary/hall maintenance. **Second:** Trier. **All in favor.**

Upon attorney review of recent planning commission nonresident appointment to Vice-chair, according to Michigan Planning & Enabling Act 33 of 2008, it was determined it was never a valid appointment. The township was not authorized to make the appointment, so it never took effect. Accordingly, no removal proceedings are necessary of the Vice-chair because appointment was improper under the township ordinance. Discussion; there's several conflicting documents which need review.

**Motion:** Emmons to adopt Ordinance 56 to opt out of recreational marihuana. **Second:** Clare. **Roll call vote:** Farhat-yes; Trier-no; Clare-yes; Klahn-yes; Emmons-yes. 4 ayes; 1 nay.

**Motion:** Clare to repeal Ordinance #19 as it is based on a repealed statute, to repeal Ordinance No. 19 as being outdated. **Second:** Trier. **All in favor.** **Motion:** Emmons to adopt Ordinance #26. **Second:** Trier. **Roll call vote:** Klahn-yes; Clare-yes; Emmons-yes; Trier-yes; Farhat-yes. 4 ayes.

Denton Township will allow residents to use their compost site for \$25. Roscommon charges \$75.

Discussion of sale of 10-acre parcel on Townline Road which a resident stated was donated years ago. We need a title search.

**Motion:** Trier to agree to pay \$132 for annual website fee. **Second:** Emmons. **All in favor.**

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:26 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Tonya Clare, Lake Township Clerk**

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*Approved as written at June 11, 2019 Regular Township Board Meeting*