

Lake Township-Roscommon County
Regular Board Meeting
August 13, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

The Lake Township Board met on Tuesday, August 13, 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 August 2019 agenda with addition of dangerous building. **Second:** Emmons **All in Favor.**

Motion: Trier to approve the July 9, 2019 regular meeting minutes with corrections. **Second:** Farhat **All in favor.**

Motion: Emmons to approve minutes from July 25, 2019 public hearing. **Second:** Clare. **All in favor.**

Motion: Emmons to approve minutes from August 5, 2019 Public Hearing with correction of “letter of resignation received from Robyn Pillinger-Daniels effective July 26, 2019”. **Second:** Klahn. **All in favor.**

Correspondence: Emmons reported that he received a letter of objection to a variance for building at 1389 Long Point Dr. Emmons received a letter from a resident of interest in becoming a member of the Planning Commission. An invitation was received from DNR to attend the Roscommon Forest Management Unit open house on Wed., August 21, 2019 from 3-6 p.m. at DNR Field Office. A “thank you” letter was received from a resident for taking care of a ditch drainage problem on West Shore Dr. Emmons reported that he received a letter of resignation from Pete Klahn, Trustee and Planning Commission member effective August 13, 2019.

Public Comments: A resident of West Shore Drive read his letter of objection of a short-term rental on West Shore Dr. Many residents of Long Point attended the meeting in objection to a vacation rental in their neighborhood. Renters are disrespectful with noise, language, as well as parking and encroaching on their property. Emmons asked for suggestions on how to write ordinance against vacation rentals. Another resident of West Shore Dr. complained that the recycle bin is always being full with other than recyclable items.

Budget Amendments: Motion Clare to transfer \$9,000 to increase budget for legal services and \$600 for auditor and accounting services to balance budget. **Second:** Farhat. **Roll call vote:** 5 ayes; 0 nays.

Financial Report: Trier presented the Treasurer’s Report–Period ending July 31, 2019 and made it available to the public which he reported currently balances. **Motion:** Trier for approval to move \$75,000 from Capital Improvement fund to Money Fund. **Second:** Emmons **All in favor.**

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 July 9,

2019. Clare added check #42413 to County of Roscommon Treasurer for \$63.49 for board of review changes. **Motion:** Emmons to approve to pay the bills (checks # 42363 through #42413) **Second:** Trier **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. **Motion:** Farhat to remove Tom Zerbel from probation effective August 14, 2019. **Second:** Emmons **All in favor.**

Ordinance Enforcement Officer's Report: Judge submitted report of complaints and land use permits issued to board members. Judge suggested the board check out the blight at Aqua & Muskegon Rds. and on West Shore for advice on further action.

Planning Commission Report: None

ZBA Report: Hull reported ZBA meetings are scheduled August 15 and August 29, 2019.

Assessor's Report: None

Supervisor's Report: Emmons reported on the meetings that he has attended this month. Emmons reported no applications were received for the Ordinance Enforcement Officer position. Discussion of Rose and Judge switching positions. Emmons reported all assigned road projects are done.

Following presentation of the Brownfield Redevelopment program by Jamie Houserman, Director of Roscommon County Equalization; the board adopted the Resolution of concurrence with **all ayes.**

Corinna Hervey, Auditor went over the results of the 2019 Audit with the board. **Motion:** Clare to adopt Capitalization Policy beginning April 1, 2019. **Second:** Emmons **All in favor.** **Roll call vote:** to adopt Resolution #2019-12 Fire Equipment Deficit Elimination Plan. **All ayes.**

Old Business:

Sheila Sensor reported that she has a couple of leads for the 10-acre parcel; no deed found yet. Health Care Ordinance 28 tabled.

Clare reported there were 54 voters and 200 absentee voters on August 6, 2019 election day. Emmons reported that he received a bid on the special assessment for Beebe Island for \$10,500.

New Business:

Emmons reported that he attended the HLIB meeting. They will be looking at levels of Higgins Lake as well as Houghton Lake. Keith Stiles, HLIB member gave an update of the planting of wild rice in the lake and canals.

Following further discussion, **Motion:** Clare to switch Judge to Deputy OEO and Rose to OEO at current rate of pay. Judge will do paperwork. **Second:** Emmons. **All in favor.**

Discussion of issues with the recycle bin, **Motion:** Farhat to remove recycle bin permanently. **Second:** Klahn **All in favor.** Denton Township has offered \$25 recycle and compost.

Motion: Emmons to reappoint George Stringfellow as Planning Commission member to March 19, 2022. **Second:** Trier. **All in favor.**

Motion: Clare to refund Joanne Bend for three (3) cemetery plots for \$150 (\$50/each). **Second:** Klahn All **in favor.**

Farhat reviewed cemetery fees compared to other townships. He will further research.

Demolition bid received for 8801 E. Houghton Lake was withdrawn because the property used to be commercial and must meet State asbestos requirements. **Motion:** Clare to post another ad for bids. **Second:** Trier. **All in favor.**

Supervisor comments: With Klahn leaving, a board representative to the Planning Commission will have to be appointed.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tonya Clare, Lake Township Clerk

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Approved as written at September 10, 2019 Twp Bd Mtg