

**Williamstown Township
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2016**

Call to Order

The Williamstown Township Board of Trustees convened at 7:04 p.m. at the Williamstown Township Hall located at 4990 Zimmer Rd., Williamston, Michigan. Supervisor Bloomquist called the meeting to order and reviewed the Agenda. Supervisor Bloomquist led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Supervisor Bloomquist, Trustee Eyster, Trustee Imhoff, Trustee Hayes, Treasurer Cutshaw, Trustee Williams

Also present: Director Yanz, NEISA; Chief Hall, Meridian Township Police

Absent: Clerk Mitchell

Public Comment

None.

Closed at 7:06: p.m.

Consent Agenda

Trustee Hayes moved the consent agenda consisting of:

- Approve the Minutes of 06-08-16 Township board meeting
- General Fund Accounts Payable paid, checks 21560 through 21569 for a total of \$10,859.57
- Payroll Checks paid 43629 through 43665 and EFT 372 through EFT 377 for a total of \$28,757.95
- Police Fund account check 1073 for a total of \$55,029.43
- Revenue and expenditure report 06/30/2016
- Treasurer's Report, July 2016
- Building Inspector's Report
- Police Report

Seconded by Trustee Eyster

Discussion: None

Motion approved.

NIESA Report

Michael Yanz reported that he has been appointed NIESA Director as of June 1. He is also serving as fire chief. He provided the number of service runs for the first quarter

Police Report

Chief Hall provided a summary of recent developments in his department, and commented on the report of police activities in the Township.

Road Striping

Trustee Hayes moved the Township Board approve \$8,000. To be used towards the striping of Township Roads in 2016 out of GL# 101-441-814.000.

Seconded by Trustee Imhoff

Discussion:

- Half of Ingham County townships stripe
- To be done out of safety concerns.
- Half of townships strip.
- Consider doing every four years and when road maintenance is done.

Motion approved.

Plot Repurchase

Trustee Hayes moved the Township Board approve the plot repurchases for VanDusen and Julian with the amount of \$2000.00 being moved from Contingency 209-276-965.000 to Plot Repurchase 209-276-964.000.

Seconded by Trustee Eyster

Discussion: None

Roll call: Yes – Trustee Williams, Treasurer Cutshaw, Trustee Imhoff, Trustee Hayes, Supervisor Bloomquist, Trustee Eyster. Absent – Clerk Mitchell.

Motion approved

Field Rentals

Trustee Williams moved the Township Board approve the discounted rate for field reservation to the Soccer Club for training to \$30.00 a three hour session for the Grand River Soccer fields.

Seconded by Trustee Eyster

Discussion: None

Motion approved

Approval of GF AP Checks

Trustee Eyster moved the Board approve the General Funds Accounts Payable checks 21571 through 21608 for a total of \$34,632.29.

Seconded by Trustee Hayes

Discussion: None

Motion approved

Police Contract

The current agreement between the Township and Meridian Township ends on December 31, 2016. The Board discussed whether to solicit bids for police services, and determined that it would not be fruitful to do so. Services such as neighborhood watch, property checks and code enforcement are much appreciated. Residents have expressed their opinion that Meridian Township's services are an excellent value. The gross assessment has been reduced over the years.

Deer Check Station

Having a deer check station for chronic wasting disease at the Township hall this past season seems to have been a valuable service. A check station will be located at the Township again next season.

Reports

This year's spring clean-up cost the Township \$2,500. The Board discussed establishing a permanent recycling center at the Township as well as a fall clean-up. Review of this question will continue.

Concrete will be poured at the park pavilion by the end of the week.

Public Comment:

Chief Hall mentioned his agency's involvement in a recent code enforcement situation. Chief Yanz noted that he is now full-time with NIESA.

Public comment closed at 8:33p.m.

Closed Session

Trustee Hayes moved the Board go into closed session to discuss a property purchase.

Seconded by Trustee Williams.

Roll call: Yes – Trustee Hayes, Treasurer Cutshaw, Trustee Imhoff, Trustee Williams, Supervisor Bloomquist, Trustee Eyster. Absent: Clerk Mitchell.

Motion approved

The Board went into closed session at 8:36p.m.

Coming out of Closed Session

Trustee Williams moved the board come out of closed session.

Seconded by Eyster

The board came out of closed session at 9:25p.m.

Adjournment

Trustee Hayes moved the board adjourn the regular meeting.

Motion approved.

Supervisor Bloomquist adjourned the meeting at 9:30p.m.

Minutes approved by:

Wanda Bloomquist, Township Supervisor

Date