

**Williamstown Township  
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
June 14, 2017**

Pages 3 and 4 Revised per July 12 Board Meeting

**Call to Order**

The Williamstown Township Board of Trustees convened at 7:00 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 Kane, Treasurer Cutshaw, Clerk Steinberg, Trustee Eyster, and Trustee Duffy. Trustee Williams absent.

**Also Present:** Jonathan Brandt 4725 N Branch, Dr. Charles Bethke 77 Granite Rd, Bob Barkham 89 Granite Rd, Nancy Horton 5632 Shoeman, Jana Barkham 87 Granite Rd, John Powell 790 Haslett Rd, Brett J Dickey 5582 Shoeman Rd, Aaron Vanderurst 3840 Vanetter Rd, and Carolyn Burt/ Deputy Clerk.

**Public Comment for agenda and non- agenda items**

Opened at 7:02 PM.

- Jonathan Brandt commented about Sherwood Road recent work still in progress.
- Bob Barkham 87 Granite Rd, wants his Cider Mill to be grandfathered in under Ag-Tourism Ordinance.
- Nancy Horton 5632 Shoeman Rd, objects to fees for Ag-Tourism. Is there a set fee schedule?
- Dr. Charles Bethke 77 Granite Rd, objects to fees placed on Cider Mill and adds his support to this business in the community.

Public comment closed at 7:20

**Consent Agenda**

**Clerk Steinberg moved to approve the consent agenda:**

**Approve the Minutes of May 10, 2017 Township Board meeting**

**General Fund Accounts Payable paid, checks 21987 through 22011 for a total of \$ 532,193.34.**

**Payroll paid check numbers 44045-44083 and EFTs 464-469 for a total of \$31,860.29.**

**General Fund Accounts Payable for approval, checks 22012 through 22037 for a total of \$ 25,042.81.**

**Revenue and expenditure report 5/31/2017**

**May Revenue Report 2017**

**Treasurer's Report, May 2017**

**Building Inspector's Report**

## **Police Report**

### **Seconded by Trustee Eyster**

Discussion: Would like more clarity on how financial information is presented

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Treasurer Cutshaw, Trustee Eyster, Clerk Steinberg, Supervisor Bloomquist, Trustee Duffy.

Nays: Trustee Kane

Absent: Trustee Williams

### **Motion passed**

### **Senior Center Update**

Removed from Agenda due to absence of Director

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Sign Ordinance**

**Trustee Kane moved the Township Board table the vote on the Sign Ordinance until July meeting.**

### **Seconded by Clerk Steinberg**

Discussion: Need to have memo ahead of time.

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Trustee Kane, Trustee Duffy, Treasurer Cutshaw, Clerk Steinberg, Trustee Eyster and Supervisor Bloomquist.

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Williams

### **Motion passed**

### **Fireworks Ordinance**

**Trustee Eyster moved that the Williamstown Board approve the proposed Fireworks Ordinance with the Following revisions: Section 4.07-Approval Criteria, Add: 5. A person shall not ignite, discharge, or use articles pyrotechnic, display fireworks, and special effects fireworks on public property, school property, church property, or the property of another person without that organization's or person's express permission to use the fireworks on a form provided by the township. 6. How to limit articles pyrotechnic, display fireworks and special effects fireworks..**

**Seconded by Treasurer Cutshaw.**

Discussion: Fee of \$ 50.00 for the application was agreed upon.

**Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Treasurer Cutshaw, Supervisor Bloomquist, Trustee Eyster, Duffy, Clerk Steinberg and Trustee Kane. Absent: Trustee Williams**

**NAY: TRUSTEE DUFFY**

**Park House, 507 E Grand River**

**Trustee Kane moved the Williamstown Township Board table the expenditure approval to prepare the house for rental until the July Board meeting.**

**Seconded by Clerk Steinberg**

Discussion:

- Send out revised estimates
- Trustee Kane to obtain an estimate to move the house
- Trustee Duffy will get estimate on demolition costs

**Motion Passed**

**Policy Workshop**

Supervisor Bloomquist suggested the Board Members decide what policies they may want to revise at the Policy Workshop to be held on June 21st at 6:00pm. She would like to form committees at that time to recommend revisions.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ZBA appointment**

**Clerk Steinberg move that the Williamstown Township Board approve the appointment of Jill Fewer to the Zoning Board of Appeals.**

**Seconded by Trustee Duffy.**

Discussion: None

**Motion Passed**

**Depository Resolution**

**Trustee Kane moved that the Williamstown Township Board adopt amended language of resolution # 116 regarding the banks financial depositories for the safekeeping of Township funds.**

**Seconded by Clerk Steinberg**

Discussion:

- Bank name change from First Merit Bank to Huntington Bank.
- Add LAFCU and MSUFCU
- Question how Resolutions are named and numbered.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Treasurer Cutshaw, Supervisor Bloomquist, Trustee Eyster, Trustee Duffy, Clerk Steinberg and Trustee Kane.

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Williams

**Motion Passed**

**MTA Principle of Governance**

**Trustee Duffy KANE moved the Williamstown Township Board table the adoption of the Principles of Governance until the July meeting.**

**Seconded by Trustee Eyster**

Discussion: Allow time to read thoroughly

**Motion Passed**

**Reports:**

**Departments and Committees**

- Balance sheet for Spring Cleanup revenues and expenditures presented
- Art Tour sales and donations submitted

**Niesa**

- Information re: Dry hydrants still on Niesa agenda as well as a pumping station and reservoir

**Public Comment for Agenda and non agenda items**

Opened at 9:39

- Burn Ordinance is on line
- Roadside grass is under the County Road Commission jurisdiction
- Follow up with County re: dangerous Township intersections

Closed at 9: 47

**Trustee Duffy Moved to Adjourn**

**Seconded by Trustee Eyster**

**Supervisor Bloomquist adjourned the meeting at 9:49**

**Minutes approved by:**

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**Wanda Bloomquist, Township Supervisor      Date**

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**Mark Steinberg, Township Clerk              Date**

**Carolyn Burt Recording Secretary**