

<p style="text-align: center;">LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WEDNESDAY, September 13, 2023 4:30 P.M. LAKE TOWNSHIP HALL 8105 W. KELLY ROAD, LAKE CITY, MI 49651</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Approved Minutes</p>
<p>Supervisor Hall called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Roll Call: Present – Clerk Winkelmann, Trustee Bradley, Supervisor Hall, and Trustee Norman, Treasurer Ouwinga. Absent-0.</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER Roll Call</p>
<p>Moved by Ouwinga, seconded by Norman to accept the regular meeting minutes of August 9, 2023 as presented. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>MOTION to approve regular meeting minutes of 8/9/23 as presented.</p>
<p>Treasurer’s report received for information.</p>	<p>TREASURER’S REPORT</p>
<p>Public Comments: Tony Fedewa- Questioned why there is two fire departments. Experienced less than satisfactory service from having two fire departments. Explained his experience from his home fire and having both departments show up. City is doing the right thing by joining the other dept, it’s silly to have two and time to become one. Lake Township can’t get along with other townships. Want to build a new fire department in Lake Township and that doesn’t make sense. One department could have a lot better assets by all that equipment from both departments being in one barn. Need a sniffer because he wouldn’t have had over \$100,000.00 of damage in his house. Describes the letter he received for his fire run- wasn’t on letterhead, wasn’t official and somewhere buried in the document he saw what he owed, he wasn’t sure who to pay, it was less than professional. His insurance will only pay \$500.00 and that is reasonable for a fire run. Quit being children, we only need one fire barn. Doesn’t know what he should tell his own children that grown adults can’t get along. Looks silly that there’s two departments. Creating less than an effective fire department for all of us. We have to figure out a way to make it work. Asked if Lake Township has less equipment now? Mimi Zwolak- Spoke up about Lake Township’s attempt to try to merge with the other fire department and the option to buy their building. There’s so much baggage over the years & Station 200 stated that there is no way that they will join with Lake Township again. Agreed that it is ridiculous that there are two fire departments so close to one another. Her and Sam Ball sent a letter, had</p>	<p>PUBLIC COMMENTS</p>

a meeting and the city didn't even show up. City is giving us three months in a new agreement and a month to month lease.

Supervisor Hall- Explained the work that we have done up to this point regarding the fire department and what our options are moving forward. At the end of the month, we own all of the equipment, and the city is done. We have had an effective fire department for 13 years now without being at Station 200. Hall stated that he tried setting up an off-site meeting at a neutral location and no one was interested. The only communication he received was from Forest Township who stated that they were not interested. We received \$165,000.00 from the city for the money that they owed us that can go into adding on to the green road facility or a new facility.

Gerard Winkle- Thanked the board for all we do. Questioned if there were other sites available for a fire barn other than Green rd. Has concerns for the residents in that subdivision. Offered to help in any way that he could for alternative sites within the township. Contacting Dutchman Tree Farms to see what options there may be for other locations. Gerard offered to meet with Trustee Norman and/or Supervisor Hall to discuss details. Also had concerns about hot patch fills that were poorly done in the Missaukee Park subdivision. Is that a county or township issue?

Correspondence:

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Committee Reports:

Fire – The city will charge us rent on their building at \$1500.00 per month. We have had engineered plans drawn up for possible expansion of Green Road fire barn.

Roads-

Discussed Road millage on the ballot next year. Road Commission also considering a millage.

Sewer-

Meeting on Monday. \$5500.00 for new roof completion. 95% of Silversmith data has been logged. Ponds are down to 5ft. 59 manholes are covered within the township, Peterson's Point seems to be the worst/lowest. Both trucks need work. Al requested another truck. Discussed digitized maps but the quote is \$125.00/page and we have 60 pages. Al wants to keep his phone when he retires. Bruce studying for test in November for licensing.

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<p>Unfinished Business-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attorney working on Solar Ordinance amendment for Wolverine Power. • Tim Maylone- Discussed a lease agreement and or easement requested by Cherry Capital Communications for a fiber distribution center with a propane tank and a generator. Need the agreement signed so that Consumers can figure out the power path. Looking at a 20-year lease. Compensation would be free phone/internet to 4 township locations. Supervisor Hall stated that he would have the township attorney look over the lease agreement. Maylone requested a letter of intent for the agreement to move forward. Township attorney to look over. 	
<p>New Business-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cemetery – Joe’s Tree service to remove dead trees. Trustees to clean up the sawdust. 	
<p>MOTION by Norman, Seconded by Bradley to pay the Sewer bills as printed. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Ouwinga, Hall, Winkelmann, Bradley, Norman. No-0. Absent-0.</p>	<p>MOTION to pay sewer bills as printed.</p>
<p>MOTION by Ouwinga to pay township bills with addition. Seconded by Bradley. MOTION CARRIED. Roll Call: Winkelmann, Hall, Ouwinga, Norman, Bradley. No-0. Absent-0.</p>	<p>MOTION to pay township bills with addition.</p>
<p>Motion by Hall, seconded by Ouwinga to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.</p>	<p>ADJOURNED</p>
<p>_____ Korinda Winkelmann, Township Clerk Date</p>	<p>Minutes prepared by: Korinda Winkelmann, Township Clerk</p>
<p>_____ Robert Hall, Twp. Supervisor Date</p>	
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