

<p style="text-align: center;">YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Regular Meeting</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday, January 9, 2014</u> 7:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yankee Springs Township Hall 284 North Briggs Road, Middleville, Michigan 49333</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES</p>	<p>FINAL MINUTES Approved Feb 13, 2014 As presented</p>
<p>Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by Supervisor Mark Englerth.</p> <p>Roll Call: Jerkatis, J. Lippert, Englerth, M. Cook, Bruce Campbell. (All Present).</p> <p><u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u></p> <p>Staff Present: Constable Jim Orr, Alice Jansma, Cathy Strickland, Frank Fiala, Sandy Marcukaitis.</p> <p>Visitors: 10 (not including staff present).</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p> <p>ROLL CALL</p> <p>PLEDGE</p>
<p><u>ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note: Planning Commission Annual Report, 2013 will be announced and presented at the Joint Meeting yet to be designated by the Planning Commissioner, Frank Fiala. • Under <u>Zoning Administrator Report</u>- No report at this meeting. Larry Knowles, ZA absent with notice. 	<p><u>ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA</u></p>
<p><u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u></p> <p>Motion by M. Cook with support from Campbell to approve December 12, 2013 Lynn Drive Special Assessment Roll District Meeting minutes for 6:30 p.m. meeting as submitted. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.</p> <p>(It was noted that Roger Rottschafer would like to postpone the next Lynn Drive Spec. Assessment meeting until February's Board of Trustee's meeting.)</p> <p>Motion by M. Cook with support from J. Lippert to approve minutes of Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of December 12, 2013 as presented. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.</p> <p>(J. Lippert noted that in reference to pg. 5 of Dec. 12, 2013 Regular Bd. Meeting minutes, J. Lohrstorfer has been contacted, and he has reviewed and approved the land split discussed in the meeting. *Authorization has been received.)</p>	<p><u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u></p> <p>Motions by to approve minutes of December 12, 2013- Lynn Drive Spec. Assessment (6:30 p.m.) and Regular Bd. Of Trustees Meeting of Dec. 12, 2013. MOTION CARRIED.</p>
<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> None</p>	<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> None</p>
<p><u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS:</u></p> <p>TTES Report – David Middleton, Fire Chief – commented on the recent ice and snow storm. During the ice storm, TTES experienced 48 hours of non-stop activity.</p> <p><u>1215 total calls</u> were received in 2013. <u>248 calls</u> were in <u>Yankee Springs Township</u>.</p>	<p><u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS</u></p> <p><u>TTES REPORT:</u> D. Middleton</p> <p>Page 1 of 4 YST Bd Trustees 1-9-14</p>

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BARRY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Craig Stolsonburg

Stolsonburg noted that at one point during the ice storm that occurred Dec. 21, 2013, 90% of Barry County was without power. Ninety percent of the county would be equivalent to 22,000 customers without power.

Middleville's emergency Red Cross shelter had 16 people stay overnight. Barry Township's had 2 people overnight, and Prairieville had 0 overnights.

Stolsonburg commented on the Health Connections (Clinics) in both Barry and Eaton counties closing. Cherry Street Health Clinic (a federally qualified health center out of Grand Rapids) will be moving into the Barry County location, and most of the former employees will be hired to work for the new employers (federal health clinic).

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Jerkatis

Motion by M. Cook with support from Campbell to accept and approve the Financial Statement as presented. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

CLERK'S REPORT: by J. Lippert

Motion by M. Cook with support from Campbell and Jerkatis to approve payroll check #s 5031 – 5051 for the total amount of \$11,860.01 which includes EFT of \$2,392.62. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis – yes, J. Lippert – yes, Englerth – yes, M. Cook – yes, Campbell – yes. All Yes (5). MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Lippert explained items and answered any questions on the accounts payable register.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from M. Cook to approve check #s 912315-912335 for the total amount of \$14,125.70. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis – yes, J. Lippert – yes, Englerth – yes, M. Cook – yes, Campbell – yes. All Yes (5). MOTION CARRIED.

Road Tour with Barry County Road Commission: January 16, 2014 at 1 p.m.
(Meet at the Road Commission).

TTES Contract: up for renewal on March 31, 2014. Mark Englerth will set up a "pre-meeting" with Mike Bremer.

Bauckham, Sparks invoice is in the board members' packets. Their hourly rate has increased to \$200.00 per hour effective January 1, 2014.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS:

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BARRY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Craig Stolsonburg

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Jerkatis

Treasurer's Report Approved

CLERK'S REPORT: Jan Lippert

Payroll and Accounts Payable approved

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: No Report (L. Knowles, ZA absent with notice)

Planning Commission- Frank Fiala presented the PC's request to have a Joint Meeting with the Board of Trustees, ZBA and PC.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from Campbell to hold the **Joint Meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2014 at 7 p.m.** All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Mark Englerth

Brush Truck Tires: Englerth asked for board approval to replace tires on the 2004 Brush Truck. Englerth has been getting estimates. Jerkatis inquired on the age of the other tires and trucks. Jerkatis asked D. Middleton fire chief for a background on the current vehicles/tires for next month's meeting.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from Campbell to purchase new tires for the 2004 Brush truck. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis – yes, J. Lippert – yes, Englerth – yes, M. Cook – yes, Campbell – yes. All Yes (5). MOTION CARRIED.

Other items at Fire Station: The heater went down at the fire station. Welton's came out to repair it and maintenance was done on the hot water heater. Englerth would like to go forward with plans for a generator for the fire station. Consensus of the board was to go ahead with this (getting generator). It was also mentioned that there should be future discussion regarding a warming station being set up at the fire station for future use.

Cuddy Drain: The township will be sending mailings out. The Drain Board approved to pay the engineering firm's portion to have the engineers speak to the general public. Future public meetings will be coming up on this.

Emergency Preparedness/Services: needs to be reviewed.

A fire occurred on Archwood recently. Issues with a fire hydrant were taken care of by M. Englerth and L. Knowles. Thawing out the hydrant saved possibly thousands of dollars in damage that would have occurred if the hydrant froze.

Water/Sewer Authority: Negotiations on labor contract have started. Copy of the water report was distributed to board members. It was noted that the pump station has a generator, but the water tower does not.

Motion by M. Cook with support from J. Lippert to allow Yankee Springs Township to purchase a Honda generator for \$1,000 (amount to be taken from water fund) to be dedicated to use- and locked in- at the water tower. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis – yes, J. Lippert – yes, Englerth – yes, M. Cook – yes, Campbell – yes. All Yes (5). MOTION CARRIED.

Next Meeting for Board of Trustees: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at 7 p.m.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: No Report

Motion to hold Joint Meeting on Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014 at 7 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Frank Fiala commented that the CIP (Capital Improvement 5 year plan) is ready to be presented to the Board. (This will probably occur at the early February meeting).

Alice Jansma mentioned the amended budget will be at the January 22, 2014 board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

ZBA & PC Vacancies- discussed. ZBA is in need of members especially now with seasonal absences.

Correction to ordinance passed in 1995 by the Bd. Of Trustees- S. Marcukaitis has been working with the DNR regarding buoys at Gun Lake, specifically Robbins Bay. It was brought to the attention of the township that the stand-alone ordinance written in 1995, needs to be corrected. The township attorney has prepared a resolution for the correction which includes Section 30. (Section 31 was incorrect in the 1995 ordinance). Once adopted, S. Marcukaitis will send the resolution to the DNR. J. Lippert commented that the DNR will hold its own public hearing after they (DNR) receive the YS Township's resolution. After the DNR's public hearing, YS Township will have the ordinance passed.

Motion by M. Cook with support by Jerkatis to move to adopt **Resolution #01-01-2014**, Resolution to correct stand-alone buoy ordinance of 1995. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis – yes, J. Lippert – yes, Englerth – yes, M. Cook – yes, Campbell – yes. All Yes (5). MOTION CARRIED.

Cuddy Drain Meetings: Informational Meeting is scheduled for February 1st at the Township Hall. February 5th 2014 at 6:00 P.M. will be the Cuddy Intercounty Drain Board Meeting of Necessity. Township Hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Englerth with support from M. Cook to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted:

Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary 1/13/14

Date: 1-17-14 draft copy
Final Minutes approved: Feb 13, 2014
Janice C. Lippert, Clerk

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Motion to move to adopt Resolution #01-01-2014, Resolution to correct stand-alone buoy ordinance of 1995. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

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