

<p style="text-align: center;"> YANKEE SPRINGS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES <u>Work Session Meeting</u> <u>Wednesday, March 26, 2014</u> 7:00 p.m. Yankee Springs Township Hall 284 North Briggs Road, Middleville, Michigan 49333 </p> <p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES</p>	<p> FINAL MINUTES Approved April 10, 2014 As presented </p>
<p> <u>Meeting called to order at 7:12 PM by Supervisor Mark Englerth.</u> <u>Roll Call:</u> J. Lippert, Englerth, M. Cook, Bruce Campbell. <u>Absent:</u> Jerkatis (with notice) <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> <u>Staff Present:</u> Alice Jansma, Cathy Strickland, and Frank Fiala. <u>Visitors:</u> 8 (not including staff present). </p>	<p> CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL PLEDGE </p>
<p> <u>ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No additions to the agenda. </p>	<p> <u>ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA</u> </p>
<p> <u>CLOSED SESSION:</u> Motion by J. Lippert with support from M. Cook to go into closed session for the purpose of real estate negotiation. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED. <u>Those present in the closed session:</u> Four board members (J. Lippert, Englerth, M. Cook, Campbell), Dan Fredricks of Land & Resource Engineering, Deb Masselink and Greg Purcell, Friends of the Cuddy Drain. Time returned to Open Session: 7:35 p.m. (Members present: Englerth, Lippert, Cook, and Campbell) </p>	<p> <u>CLOSED SESSION</u> Motion to go into a closed session for the purpose of negotiation of real estate. Motion Carried. Time returned to Open Session: 7:35 p.m. </p>
<p> <u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Al McCrumb, Former YS Twp. Supervisor, presented a plaque to Mary Cook, Trustee. This evening was Mary's last meeting as a Trustee. McCrumb read the plaque mentioning her 22 years of service. (Attachment to minutes). Mary was given a standing ovation by all in attendance. Robert Lippert, Former Zoning Administrator, commented that Mary has served as an example to anybody else that seeks a public office whether appointed or elected. Mark Englerth, Supervisor, presented a plaque to Mary and a plaque to her husband Bruce who has also served the township as Planning Commissioner (11 Years) </p>	<p> <u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> Page 1 of 3 YST Bd Trustees 3-26-14 </p>

<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> cont'd</p> <p>Mary Cook presented <u>Gordon Wells</u> with a plaque for his 21 years of service on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. G. Wells received applause as well.</p>	<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT:</u> cont'd</p>
<p><u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS:</u></p> <p>Jeff McCray, of Burnham and Flowers Insurance. The property liability insurance contract is up for renewal on April 1, 2014. McCray mentioned the lease agreement with Thornapple Township and the vehicle/equipment list. McCray commented that the leaseholder's policy should cover the leased vehicle/equipment. The only item that can be adjusted in the policy is deductibles. Brief discussion took place regarding deductibles in light of liability possibilities. Grant money is also available and the window for this is April 1st thru May 31st. If there is any liability reducing projects, Jeff McCray would be happy to assist in the application process. The premium is paid in one lump sum of \$12,789.00 which is due April 1, 2014.</p>	<p><u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS:</u> None.</p>
<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT:</u> J. Lippert</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Millage renewal will be discussed on the April 10th Board Meeting. May 13th is the deadline for the wording of the millage on the ballot. This would be on the ballot for the August primary. Township legal counsel commented that the wordage would be repeated, most likely, and the years would change to 2015 to 2018. • The DNR hearing will take place tomorrow evening, Thursday, March 27, at the YS Township Hall. The DNR has received the resolution adopted by the township in January. The DNR is holding a required hearing. At the hearing, information will be gathered from the public concerning watercraft controls on the waters of Gun Lake. Once the DNR approves the township's resolution, then the township will go forward and put the ordinance in wordage for adoption. • April 7 is the deadline for letters of application for the vacancy of Mary Cook, Trustee. Ads have been placed in the <u>Penasee Globe</u> and – <u>Sun & News</u>. The appointee for Trustee has the choice of being on the ballot in August. April 22 is the file deadline to be on the ballot. • April 7 is the last day to register to vote in the TK School proposal. 	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT:</u> J. Lippert</p>
<p><u>SUPERVISOR UPDATE:</u> <u>Mark Englerth</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Generator:</u> A proposal for a generator for the fire station was distributed in Board members' packets. This information will also be presented at the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. <p>Motion by M. Cook with support of B. Campbell to move forward on the purchase of a generator to be presented at the April 10, 2014 Board of Trustees Regular meeting. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.</p>	<p><u>SUPERVISOR UPDATE:</u> <u>Mark Englerth</u></p> <p>Page 2 of 3 YST Bd Trustees 3-26-14</p>

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- TTES Contract is up the 1st of April: The contract is being revisited. Meetings have been held with Thornapple Township. Alice Jansma has attended two meetings, and Bruce Campbell has attended one as well. M. Englerth has met with Mike Bremer and the Fire Chief. Priorities need to be set for the next five years to ten years. Numbers (amount of responses, etc.) are being reviewed and what is being done well and what needs to be improved is being evaluated.
- Contract Negotiations with GLASWA: Work is continuing and moving forward, and they are in approximately 85% on everything other than economics.

Shane VandenBerg inquired if sewer rate increases were being considered. Englerth commented that they were looking at everything concerning GLASWA.

- Sandy Beach – Englerth commented on nitrate levels and well issues. Regina from the Health Department will be involved bringing in people from the State. Englerth commented that the township doesn't have the infrastructure to handle this on its own.

J. Lippert commented that the township has water testing kits available. Samples are sent to Lansing.

OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT:

Frank Fiala mentioned Barry-Eaton Health Department does the water testing for free approximately once a year. Also nitrate strips are available.

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by M. Cook with support from Campbell to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted:
 Deb Mousseau
 Recording Secretary 3/27/14

Date: draft jcl 4-7-14
 Final Minutes Approved April 10, 2014
 Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk

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