

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

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Kent Kelly, Trustee

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Regular Meeting

February 16, 2010

Minutes (Meeting Tape Recorded)

Township Supervisor John Soderholm called to order the regular Board meeting at 7:30 PM in the Glen Arbor Township hall meeting room. All board members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was presented, reviewed and accepted as amended.

Motion by Kelly, support Gretzema to approve the minutes of 01/19/2010. Motion Thompson, second Quick to approve special meeting minutes of 02/02/2010. Motion Kelly, second Gretzema to approve, as amended, special meeting minutes, 02/11/2010 . Motions carried.

Public Comment – Celeste Crouch, Jenny Olson, and Dorothy Barker each spoke in support of recycled garbage receptacles. Barker reports that the Village of Empire is doing a pilot program with a village employee making receptacles. Dave Marshall, unable to attend due to meeting conflicts, reports that 2 merchants will purchase 2 bins.

Treasurer's Report - Total cash on hand as of 1/31/10 \$2,681,223.19. Annual report from Glen Arbor Garden foundation has income YTD \$2,096.00. Foundation income is not reflected in Township financials yet.

Bills – General Fund - \$ 27,144.47
Emergency Services - \$ 142,098.63

Motion Kelly, second Quick, to approve paying the General Fund bills. Motion carried. Motion Quick, second Kelly to approve paying the ESAC bills. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Operations report – John Dodson. Second invoices to Consumers Power have not been collected and legal counsel has been contacted. Air compressor will be purchased from funds in the undesignated capital account. Reduction of fleet; the E-1 pumper is the 1st of 4 vehicles to be sold. Annual report is complete. Donations from Fire and Rescue will cover costs of publishing the annual report. **Motion Quick, second Gretzema to approve Emergency Services Budget Amendment #6-2010. Roll call vote: Soderholm, Quick, Gretzema, Kelly, Thompson all ayes. Motion Kelly, second Gretzema to purchase new air compressor for \$1,700. Motion carried.** Old compressor will go to Empire. A truck broker appraiser. Texas Trucks, will sell the E-1. **Motion Quick, second Kelly to hire Texas Trucks. Motion carried.**

Emergency Services Advisory Commission Report – Bill Batterson. Two new fire fighters have been hired which will fill all openings. ISO scoring soon to come. Fire officer training continuing. New rescues truck's engineering drawings are done and ready for review.

Zoning Administrators Report – 1 Land Use Permit.

Correspondence was reviewed and accepted as presented

1. Linda & Steve Young re: recycling
2. Leelanau County Notice of Intent to update General Plan
3. Leelanau County MTA – Hal Pendleton refund of old dues
4. Northwest Michigan Council of Governments re: Scenic Heritage Route Mtg.
5. M-DEQ – permit for Wm Freeman to install 65' of vinyl seawall and riprap
6. Planning & Zoning News, Michigan Township News.

Unfinished Business

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1. Recycle – Gretzema had an economic analysis for the Board. Costs associated with recycling will change with new information regarding possible donations. Empire pilot's program can also be researched. Park may be primary location. Thompson will talk with Chamber of Commerce.
2. 2009-1020 Budget Amendments – line item review happened at in previous budget special meetings. A total reduction in the budget of \$9,230 is the result. **Motion Quick, second Gretzema to support Budget Amendment Resolution #5-2010. Roll call vote: all ayes.**
3. Joint meeting with signs. – A consensus on the four main issues has been reached and a final written proposal will be presented to the Board in 2 weeks. The Board will expect to work on finalizing in March.

New Business

1. Wage and salary committee report and resolutions. Bruce Wagner and Peter Van Nort, 2 members from the Committee, were present. Wagner reports that the Committee's findings were that the Board has continued its record of significant accomplishments and based on several factors such as county wide parity, cost of living, state of the economy and township revenue, there be a salary freeze for each elected official.

Motion Quick, second Kelly to freeze the Supervisor salary according to Resolution #1-2010 for \$18,900 + \$500.00 = \$19,400.00. Roll call vote Gretzema, Quick, Thompson, Kelly all aye. Soderholm abstain.

Motion Gretzema, second Thompson to freeze the Clerk salary according to Resolution #2-2010 \$31,000.00 + \$500.00 = \$31,500.00. Roll call vote Soderholm, Gretzema, Quick, Thompson, and Kelly all ayes.

Motion Thompson, second Kelly to freeze the Treasurer Salary according to Resolution #3-2010 \$27,000.00 + \$500.00 = \$27,500.00. Roll call vote Soderholm, Quick, Thompson, Kelly all ayes. Gretzema abstain

Motion Gretzema, second Quick to freeze the two Trustee salaries according to Resolution #4-2010 \$2,700 + \$100 = \$2,800. There are two trustees. Roll call vote Soderholm, Quick, Gretzema all ayes. Thompson, Kelly both abstain.

Soderholm commends the Commission for the work and invites the public to apply for a position on the commission.

2. KJM – snow shoveling Town Hall
3. Leelanau Conservation Dept. Daniel Schillinger re:Phragmites, an invasive plant. Glen Arbor Township does not have this invasive plant. Yancho from the NPS has an active treatment plan. Elmwood and Bingham are loaded.
4. Jim Roach – presentation on upcoming census. Census forms will be mailed out March 15th. April 1 is Census Day and returns will be collated. "Ten Questions – Ten Minutes". 6 weeks of 20 hours (minimum) ant \$11.50/hour. Openings available.
5. Budget review – A report with YTD budget comparisons with variances was reviewed. As a result of a downturn in expected income, monies required for dredging, well monitoring and other considerations will give a \$19,000 variance.

Planning Commission Report – Kelly reported on regular meeting on Feb. 3. Sidewalk vending, hillside development, and other issues reviewed. Stege and Kelly will be attending a class in Petoskey.

Public comment – none.

Board Comments – Gretzema will provide a position from the sign committee. The committee is standing down.

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Supervisor Comments – none

Regular Board Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Dana Roman
Glen Arbor Township Deputy Clerk

Unapproved