

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

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John C Soderholm, Supervisor
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Bonnie Quick, Clerk
Wm. Thompson, Trustee

Terry J Gretzema, Treasurer

Regular Meeting
May 18, 2010
Minutes (Meeting Tape Recorded)

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

The agenda was presented, reviewed and accepted as amended.

Motion Thompson, second Quick to approve regular meeting minutes of 4/20/10. Motions carried.

Public Comment – Tracy Apsey spoke regarding a neighborhood harassment issue: Robert Garthe, Jr. According to Apsey, the police had been involved over the last couple years and as a result, issued a protection order. The Board will contact Zoning Administrator regarding occupancy permits and also contact health department. Harold O'Brien reported that Mr. Garthe also removed limbs from trees on his property.

Treasurer's Report - Total cash on hand as of 4/30/2010, \$1,909,135.39

Bills – General Fund - \$ 17,667.76
Emergency Services - \$ 114,956.81

Motion Kelly, second Thompson, to approve payment of the General Fund bills. Motion carried.
Motion Thompson, second Kelly to approve payment of ESAC bills. Motion carried.

Emergency Services Advisory Commission Report – Andy DuPont. Full attendance at the last meeting, May 5, 2010. Consumers Power finally paid their \$11,000. bill to the Township. At the end of this insurance cycle, ESAC's will look for competitive bids from insurance vendors, keeping in mind that there is an advantage to having a single vendor to cover both the Township and Emergency Services. Rescue boat has been deemed necessary by a sub-committee. A final report on the equipment needed to make the boat both a rescue vehicle and a water delivery system has been finalized.

Fire Chief Operations report – John Dodson. Letter to appeal the ISO rating was sent out. Memorandum with National Park is forthcoming. M-22 challenge will be paying for Emergency Services coverage. Fire Department attended the Empire Asparagus Festival. A 10% down payment was received for the pumper truck sale. Specifications for rescue boat have been completed and Dodson would like to make a presentation to the Board.

Zoning Administrators Report – 0 Land Use Permits.

Assessors - Report handed out.

Correspondence was reviewed and accepted as presented

1. Glen Arbor Park Commission meeting 5/6/10
2. Scenic Heritage Route Committee Meeting 5/24/10
3. Michigan DNRE – permit to mow, cut and chemically treat Phragmites along shoreline of Lake Michigan within Sleeping bear Dunes National Lakeshore, including N. Manitou Island.
4. Planning & Zoning News, Michigan Township News.

Unfinished Business

1. Status of recycle containers – Three purchased. Sponsor's checks received: Cherry Republic, Arts, and Black Swan.

New Business –

1. ESAC recommendation to raise Chief Dodson's salary. **Motion Thompson, second Quick to increase Fire Chief's salary from \$22,800 to \$25,000. Motion carried.** Pay is retroactive to 4/1/2010.
2. Rescue boat special meeting – Special meeting set for 6:30 on May 24, 2010 in the Town Hall meeting room to discuss rescue boat. In addition, there will be a joint meeting between the Board and the sign committee.

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Planning Commission Report – Kent Kelly. Revisions made to commercial land uses.

Public comment – Dr. Strachan offered to place public meeting announcements at the kiosk in the Glen Arbor Garden. Clerk Quick will email him notices for posting.

Board Comments – none

Supervisor Comments – none

Regular Board Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Dana Roman
Glen Arbor Township Deputy Clerk