

Douglas DeLeo, Supervisor
Georgette Peterson, Clerk
Jill Sanborn, Treasurer

Ron Klein, Trustee
Ted Swanson, Trustee

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October 16, 2024

Supervisor DeLeo called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Invocation was given by Mr. DeLeo

Roll Call: All Board members present

Motion to approve the agenda by Clerk Peterson, supported by Treasurer Sanborn

PROJECT COMPASS: INFORMATION

Chris Greene Hutchings and Noah Bussell from Project Compass explained the history and purpose of Project Compass. The grant project is to learn about and hopefully close the gap regarding Arlington Township residents understanding and confidence level with internet and computers. They would like to hold an event in November, "A Listening Session" where they will invite all Township residents, provide dinner and encourage conversation about internet and computer issues. They have asked for permission to receive addresses, minus names of residents to send a survey to. Motion by Georgette Peterson, supported by Ted Swanson to supply the addresses to them. All in agreement. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Law Enforcement: Deputy Torres gave his report.

Fire Departments: Bangor Fire Chief Babcock reminded everyone, about fire prevention, including Annie Funke's comment to be sure their chimneys are cleaned. He also introduced the new Lawrence Fire Chief, Steve Richardson, who gave his report.

Senior Services: Jeannie Babcock provided an updated calendar and a report.

Commissioner's Report: Kurt Doroh handed out the activity report.

Assessor's Report was read by Supervisor DeLeo.

Supervisor's Report: Douglas DeLeo reported that Ted Swanson got information from a company that does noise complaints, come up with a plan, measure decibels and Hertz frequencies and compare them to the Ordinance. Then they come up with a report and solutions. They draw conclusions on claims that affect people's health. The cost is \$6000 with a travel cost of \$200. Trustee Ron Klein gave some statistics on decibels. A resident (Cathy Kimbler) who lives South East of the Lennox property said she did not notice it but she did hear noise. Attorney Graham said that none of the readings violated the maximum ordinance parameters. Jill Sanborn said MTA has a sample noise ordinance. Mr. Roe said that when the deputy did his readings, there was no sound at that time. Deputy Torres mentioned he did multiple readings and spoke to the neighbors directly to East of Lennox, as well as Kimbler's daughter. The neighbors directly to the East mentioned they slept outside in a tent most of the summer and it didn't bother them. Kimbler's daughter told Deputy Torres it didn't bother her but her mother mentioned it to her in passing. Jill Sanborn reminded the Board that our policy is to get 3 quotes for over \$1000.

Treasurer's Report: Ted Swanson made a motion with support from Georgette Peterson to approve paying the bills as outlined in the report. All in favor. Motion carried. Ted Swanson made a motion with support from Georgette Peterson to reinvest \$250,000 maturing Oakleaf CD on 10/31/24, and to invest the interest of ~\$13,875 in the JP Morgan MM account. There were 2 budget items that needed to be

amended. Ted Swanson made a motion with support from Georgette to add \$788.50 to 101101851 to allow for insurance increase due to the new addition and to add \$60 to 213101967 resulting from cancelled checks late fees. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report: Tree struck by lightning in cemetery needs to be taken care of. Douglas will reach out to Tree Busters for estimates. Georgette Peterson reported on the progress of the absentee ballots and early voting.

Approval of September 2024 minutes: Jill made a motion with support from Ron to approve the September 2024 minutes with the correction of moving a statement attributed to Donna Bell. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

- Frank Bell asked for an update on Scott Shores/Scott Lake Campground. Ron Klein provided an update. Other Scott Shores/Scott Lake residents made comments related to the campground.
- Chris Passmore would like to have personal information submitted in support of initial application for marijuana licenses and Special Use Permit be returned. He mentioned obtaining this information from CRA if needed at some later date. He is requesting return of information that is no longer needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Arlington Township Alternative Energy Ordinance was discussed. Ron Klein is working on it.
2. Building and Zoning Inspector positions need to be filled. It was suggested that we advertise on a broader basis. Jill made a motion with support from Ron to adopt the finding of the Special Meeting as outlined by Attorney Graham.
3. 123-Net: The Township received a proposal requesting public right of way for the internet company to come into the Township. Georgette Peterson made a motion with support from Ron Klein to deny the proposal at this time subject to receiving more information. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Daniel's Property Reclamation: It is set to go for mid to late November.
5. Hillside Subdivision Rules: Attorney Graham explained the document is to allow them to set certain parameters and to allow them to enforce them; however, if there are nuisance issues, the Township has authority to enforce. Georgette Peterson made a motion, with support from Ron Klein to approve the bylaws of the Hillside Subdivision. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ron Klein made a motion to adjourn, supported by Ted Swanson. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Georgette Peterson
Arlington Township Clerk