

**ADA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
March 9, 2015**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Haga at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Supervisor Haga, Clerk Burton, Trustee LeBlanc, Trustee Proos, Treasurer Rhoades, Trustee Jacobs, and Trustee Smith. There were also seven community members present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Rhoades, supported by LeBlanc, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC HEARING FY 15/16 ADA TOWNSHIPS BUDGETS**

**Motion by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to proceed into the Public Hearing for the FY 15/16 Ada Township Budgets. Motion carried.**

Supervisor Haga stated the Budget Hearing notice was posted in the Township offices for the Public Hearing. With no public comment, Supervisor Haga requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

**Motion by Rhoades, supported by LeBlanc, to close the Public Hearing for the FY 15/16 Ada Township Budgets. Motion carried.**

Supervisor Haga stated under the Park Fund, Line Item 208 904-000-974, a Capital Improvement Long Term item, the Grand River Drive parking lot (Ada Park) and building project was not included. He stated that it is out to bid now and that amount is \$78,000, which will have to be added to the adoption of the Budget.

**GENERAL TOWNSHIP BUSINESS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of Minutes**

February 23, 2015 Regular Board Meeting  
Receive and File Various Reports/Communications

1. Fire Department Report-1/15, 2/15; 2. DDA Minutes-2/16/15; 3. Kent County Sheriff Dept. East Precinct Report-1/1/14-12/31/14; 4. Utility Advisory Minutes-1/15/15; 5. Kent County Road Commission Act 50 of 1999 Reporting-2/16/15; 6. Regis Minutes-11/26/14; 7. Siegfried Crandall-FY 14/15 Audit Process Information; 8. Treasurer's Investment Report-12/31/14.

**Motion by Jacobs, supported by Rhoades, to approve the Minutes and Accept the Reports and Communications under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

**ADA TOWNSHIP GENERAL WARRANTS**

Treasurer Rhoades reported the general township warrants, with receipts in the following amounts: Hand Checks: #101 \$17,193.33; #205 \$1,828.43; #208 \$1,033.89; #213 \$125.00; #248 \$125.00; #590 \$4,068.80; #591 \$1,679.82; #592 \$278.23. Total all Hand Checks: \$26,332.50; Warrants: #101 \$17,074.29; #205 \$26,518.07; #208 \$6,105.06; #248 \$150.00; #590 \$30,911.83; #591 \$29,906.94; #592 \$1,382.48. Total Warrants: \$112,358.44. Total All Checks and Warrants: \$138,690.94.

**Motion by LeBlanc, supported by Smith, to approve the Warrant Report of March 9, 2015 in the total amount of \$138,690.94. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, LeBlanc, Proos, Rhoades, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**BOARD COMMENT**

Trustee Proos stated he is grateful there is some justice being done with the Eddie Pettis situation. The Township over the years has paid thousands and thousands of dollars because of her, and to actually be able to recoup some of the attorney expenses is cause for celebration.

Treasurer Rhoades stated any unpaid taxes have been sent to the Kent County Treasurers office, and letters will be sent out by that office indicating taxes still owed.

Clerk Burton reminded the Board that Saturday, the 21<sup>st</sup> is the Forest Hills Expo at the Ada Christian School, and it's always quite a nice event.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### **RESOLUTION R-030915-1, AMENDMENT 1 TO RESOLUTION R-072814-2, ADA TOWNSHIP CHARGES AND FEES**

Clerk Burton stated Dirt Cheap Excavating does all of the work that the staff doesn't with opening and closing gravesites, some snow plowing, fixing the grounds in the spring, and fixing foundations as a general scope of work. Kenny Wittenbach, owner of Dirt Cheap Excavating, does this service for many townships in the area. He hasn't changed his rates since 2000, but has now been forced to do so. She stated we have adjusted our rates accordingly to about \$25.00 over our cost above and beyond Kenny's, which covers our time and administrative costs.

**Motion by Rhoades, supported by Jacobs, to adopt Resolution R-030915-1, Amendment 1 to Resolution R-072814-2, Ada Township Charges and Fees, and including the Dirt Cheap Excavating fee schedule as amended. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, LeBlanc, Proos, Rhoades, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Resolution adopted as amended.**

**Motion by Rhoades, supported by Jacobs, to amend the main motion to include approval of the Dirt Cheap Excavating burial service fee schedule. Motion carried.**

##### **RESOLUTION R-030915-2, LOCAL GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION FOR CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE**

Tom Kuiper, President, Forest Hills Central Ranger Lacrosse Club, stated a year ago in June he was here for the same request. He stated in order for the Michigan Gaming Commission to approve a charitable gaming license it requires the organization to come before the local governing body and ask for recognition as a non-profit organization operating in the community.

**Motion by Smith, supported by Jacobs, to adopt Resolution R-030915-2, Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming License. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, LeBlanc, Proos, Rhoades, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Resolution adopted.**

##### **CONFIRMATION OF AUDIT SERVICES FOR FY 14/15**

Supervisor Haga stated this is a summary of audit administration, fees, and other responsibilities of Siegfried Crandall PC, for the Township of Ada, second year of contract, for FY 14/15. Their fees for services will not exceed \$19,250.00.

**Motion by Proos, supported by Smith, to approve the confirmation of the use of Siegfried Crandall, PC, to perform audit services for FY 14/15. Motion carried.**

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

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Susan Burton, CMC  
Ada Township Clerk

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Date

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