

September 08, 2011

1. The regular meeting of the Leighton Township Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the township hall.
2. All members were present.
3. Motion by Hooker, support by Martin to approve the August 11 minutes as presented. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Hooker to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
5. County Commissioner Mark DeYoung reported on activities at the county level.
6. Fire Chief VanPutten reported 8 incidents for the month of August.
7. Supervisor DeKam thanked the a-Round Green Lake Association for their generous donation of \$2500.00 toward the purchase of an imaging camera for the Fire Department.
8. The Building Inspector reported 5 new home permits in August.
9. Rod Alderink, Tom VanderBee and Doug Hoek appeared representing the lake association regarding the recent water quality test at the lake and the detection of invasive species. They would like to begin the process of special assessment for the treatment of these species.
10. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by DeKam to table action on the approval of zoning amendments. Motion carried.
11. Motion by DeKam, support by Hooker to appoint Bob Skinner as the replacement for Roger Alderink on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by DeKam to appoint Rod Alderink as the alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried.
13. Motion by Troost, support by Martin to authorize the supervisor to sign the FEMA letter of intent to participate. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
14. Motion by DeKam, support by Troost to set the street light levy at 24,693.30 as proposed in the attached draft. Roll call vote. Yeas: DeKam, Troost, Hooker, Martin, Nieuwenhuis Nays: None. Motion carried.
15. Motion by DeKam, support by Hooker to table the issue of capital needs. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Troost, support by Martin to pay the current listed bills in the amount of \$39,097.34. Roll call vote. Yeas: Troost, Martin, Hooker, Nieuwenhuis, DeKam Nays: None Motion carried.
17. Motion by DeKam, support by Troost to adopt resolution #2011-09-01 – a Resolution to Oppose Becoming a Charter Township. Roll call vote. Yeas: DeKam, Troost, Hooker, Martin, Nieuwenhuis Nays: None Motion carried.
18. Hooker presented a soil sample for a portion of the cemetery property showing that the soil does not support the growth of healthy grass. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Martin to get a quote from Heyboer Landscaping to treat the problem. All members votes yes. Motion carried.
19. Motion by DeKam, support by Nieuwenhuis to go into an employee requested closed session for the purpose of a staff performance evaluation. Roll call vote. Yeas: DeKam, Nieuwenhuis, Troost, Martin, Hooker Nays: None Motion carried.

20. Following the closed session, Troost moved and supported by DeKam, to re-open the regular meeting. Motion carried.
21. The supervisor will attend the September 19 meeting of the Fire Department and discuss the staff evaluation of the fire chief. There will be another reevaluation in 90 days.
22. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Hooker to adjourn.
23. Meeting adjourned.

Mary Lou Nieuwenhuis  
Leighton Twp. Clerk