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LEONI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
September 9, 2014

The Leoni Township Board of Trustees held a Regular meeting Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Leoni Township Meeting Hall, 913 Fifth St., Michigan Center, Michigan.

Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Supervisor Todd Brittain, Clerk Manke, Treasurer Stack and Trustees Todd Pickett, Judy Southworth, Bob Sutherby and Jerry Ambs.  
Members Absent: None

24 People in Attendance

**BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Opened at 6:02 p.m.

Closed at 6:14 p.m.

Motion by Southworth, supported by Sutherby to approve the agenda removing the water contract and the grant for 5<sup>th</sup> St.  
**Motion Carried by Voice Vote**

Motion by Stack supported by Pickett to approve the Minutes of August 11 and 12, 2014 for the Regular and Special Board meetings as presented.  
**Motion Carried by Voice Vote**

Motion by Stack supported by Pickett to approve the Accounts Payable of August 20, 2014 and September 9, 2014 in the amounts of \$54,822.29 & \$192,107.90.  
Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Brittain, Sutherby and Ambs  
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion by Southworth supported by Manke to approve the Departmental reports as presented.  
**Motion Carried by Voice Vote**

Motion by Manke supported by Stack to approve the Resolution for the Gillette's Lake intention to continue the Special Assessment District.  
Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Brittain, Sutherby and Ambs  
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was then made by Southworth, seconded by Manke, and unanimously carried that the petitions received by the township board and the report pertaining thereto be filed as a part of the minutes of the meeting.  
Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Brittain, Sutherby and Ambs  
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was next made by Southworth, seconded by Manke, and unanimously carried ordering the plans and estimates to be filed with the township clerk for public examination.  
Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Brittain, Sutherby and Ambs  
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was then made by Southworth, seconded by Manke, to adopt the resolution to tentatively create an aquatic weed special assessment district for Little Pleasant Lake.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Brittain, Sutherby and Ambs  
0 Nays      **Motion Carried**

Motion by Stack supported by Manke to approve the budget amendments as presented.

**Motion Carried by Voice Vote**

Motion by Manke supported by Southworth to approve the Public Safety Equipment sharing agreement to buy in to the 1993 International Pumper VIN #1HTSDPCRXP514033 in the amount of \$30,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Brittain, Sutherby and Ambs  
0 Nays      **Motion Carried**

Motion by Stack supported by Manke to approve the SEMS Webinar training for \$1395.00 and the yearly support of \$495.00 for the WWTP/Collections systems.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Brittain, Southworth and Ambs  
1 Nay, Sutherby      **Motion Carried**

Motion by Sutherby supported by Southworth to approve the resolution honoring 75 years of service for Sycamore Baptist Church.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Brittain, Sutherby and Ambs  
0 Nays      **Motion Carried**

Motion by Sutherby supported by Brittain to remove 6 sick days from the employee manual.

Roll Call Vote: 2 Yeas, Brittain & Sutherby  
5 Nays, Manke, Stack, Southworth, Ambs & Pickett      **Motion Failed**

Motion by Manke supported by Southworth to approve Infrastructure to do the Development Implementation & monitoring MTBE BP Discharge permit at a cost not to exceed \$6,750.00.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Pickett, Southworth, Sutherby and Ambs  
1 Nay, Brittain      **Motion Carried**

**EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Public Comment Opened at 6:48 p.m.

Public Comment Closed at 6:54 p.m.

Motion by Southworth supported by Pickett to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Motion Carried by Voice Vote**

**PUBLIC HEARING: DDA TIF & DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT:**

**Open: 7:00 p.m.**

John Spencer – DDA Chair explained the DDA and its boundaries to the audience

Bob Ford & Don Hamilton – LAP – Explained the amendment process explained the facade plan and explained some of the other current projects with the walk path and how it all ties together. Facade improvements will create more tax dollars and amending the plan will extend the DDA district another 20 years. Goals are Rehabilitation, preservation of the district and establish an attractive area for new businesses.

Lloyd Ganton – Purchased the remainder of the Ives farm and is planning a large campus expansion. Grateful that things are progressing and excited about the improvements to the district.

The DDA is currently inquiring with the County to ask if they would consider “opting in” to the expanded district to help with the new projects.

**Closed: 7:37 p.m.**

Motion by Southworth supported by Sutherby to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:37 p.m.

**Motion Carried by Voice Vote**

Michele Manke, Clerk