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LEONI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 14, 2009

The Leoni Township Board of Trustees held a Regular meeting Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 7:00 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 Michele Manke, Treasurer Brenda Vreeland, and Trustees Joan Spicer, Dan Hunt, Judy Southworth, and Jerry Ambs.

Members Absent: None

79 People in Attendance

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Opened at 7:02 p.m.

Closed at 7:02 p.m.

Motion by Spicer, supported by Southworth to approve the agenda.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion by Vreeland Supported by Hunt to approve the Minutes of March 10th, 2009 for the Regular and Special Board meetings as presented.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion by Spicer supported by Manke to approve the Accounts Payable of March 12th, 17th, 23rd, and April 1st, 8th, & 14th 2009 in the amounts of \$71,819.82, \$976,036.88, \$27,415.57, \$276.58, \$4,626.53, \$196,868.33 and \$910,963.26

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Manke, Hunt, Southworth, Spicer, Vreeland, Ambs, and Brittain
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion by Southworth supported by Ambs to accept the Departmental reports as read.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion by Spicer, supported by Southworth to award the water rate study to OMM Engineering for a total of \$4000.00.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Vreeland, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke & Southworth
Motion Carried

Mr. Brittain presented an award to the MC Cheerleaders.

Motion by Manke supported by Vreeland to adopt the resolution honoring the Michigan Center High School girls competitive cheer team for winning the State Championship.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Vreeland, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke & Southworth
Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Spicer to approve the request for an outdoor party at Center Stage Lanes for June 12th & 13th 2009.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion by Southworth supported by Spicer to approve the removal of Planning Commission David Phelps due to lack of attendance.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion by Brittain supported by Manke to appoint Mark Belcher (Electrician) to the Construction Board of Appeals.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Vreeland, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke & Southworth

Motion Carried

Motion by Brittain supported by Manke to appoint Dennis Wilkins (Plumber) to the Construction Board of Appeals.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Vreeland, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke & Southworth

Motion Carried

Supervisor Brittain called for nominations for the other 2 open seats on the Construction Board of Appeals for the Builder / structure positions

1. Doug Sink
2. Bob Eadie
3. Brent Vreeland
4. Lynn Maurer

Motion by Manke supported by Spicer to appoint Brent Vreeland to the Construction Board of Appeals.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke & Southworth

1 Abstain, Vreeland

Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Vreeland to appoint Bob Eadie to the Construction Board of Appeals.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Southworth to appoint Estelle Graves to the Jackson Transportation Authority as the Leoni Township representative.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Supervisor Brittain asked for nominations for the 2 vacant Planning Commission seats

- 1.) Shirley Johnson
- 2.) Debbie Eccelton
- 3.) Kathy Bellew
- 4.) Keith VanPoperin

Motion by Vreeland supported by Spicer to appoint Shirley Johnson to the Planning Commission.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

1 Nay, Hunt

Motion Carried

Motion by Vreeland supported by Spicer to appoint Kathy Bellew to the Planning Commission.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

1 Nay, Hunt

Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Vreeland to approve the annual Carp Carnival parade on June 6, 2009.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Spicer supported by Hunt to approve the Mutual Aid agreement for the Fire Department.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Brittain supported by Hunt to approve the use of the Township owned property behind the hall to the MC T-Ball & Youth Soccer, the teams must put out a porta-poty.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Brittain supported by Hunt to approve the bid from IT Right providing Leoni's contract can be broken with PC Solutions.

Motion withdrawn

Motion by Spicer supported by Southworth to table until we find out if the PC Solutions contract is an auto renew contract.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Spicer supported by Vreeland to accept & file the request for a cell tower at the Wastewater Treatment Site.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Vreeland supported by Brittain to approve the Millage Resolution to state Fire Millage for Fire Department Operations to be placed on the August 4, 2008 ballot.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Vreeland & Southworth

2 Nays, Manke & Brittain

Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Vreeland to approve the budget amendments in the amount of \$38,730.00 increase to the general fund.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Vreeland to approve the budget amendments in the amount of \$322,830.00 increase to the DDA fund.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth
0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Spicer to appoint Dan Hunt to the Gas & Oil lease Committee.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Vreeland, Ambs, and Brittain, Manke & Southworth
0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Southworth supported by Manke to appoint Vreeland, Hunt & Ambs to the Human Resource Board.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth
0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Brittain supported by Vreeland to approve the purchase of the Police cars & equipment from Norvell Township in the amount of \$12,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth
1 Nay, Hunt

Motion Carried

Motion by Southworth supported by Vreeland to approve the Police & Fire Board recommendations to hire a 40 hour a week working Fire Chief at \$49,000.00 per year plus benefits. Township will take applications until 4-21-09.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth
1 Nay, Hunt

Motion Carried

Motion by Manke supported by Vreeland to table the Police & Fire Board recommendation to lay off 4 firefighters until the April 27-2009 special meeting to allow for one more negotiation.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth
0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Brittain supported by Vreeland to set a special meeting on Monday April 27, 2009 at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yeas, Hunt, Ambs, Spicer, Brittain, Manke, Vreeland & Southworth
0 Nays

Motion Carried

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment Opened at 8:25 p.m.

Public Comment Closed at 9:30 p.m.

Motion by Manke supported Vreeland to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote