

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP

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Regular Board Meeting
November 27, 2018 Minutes
Meeting was recorded

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Van Nort in the Glen Arbor Town Hall meeting room. Roll Call - all Board members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM.

The agenda was presented with additions and modification and accepted. **Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Gretzema. Support by Lewis. Motion carried.**

Public Comment: Update from the Sign Committee. The committee has met approximately 4 times. There are a few conclusions that the committee suggests. One conclusion is removing both panels and structures above the signs. Move the structures to other areas of the community. Possible M-109 as a welcome sign. The other would be to place it on the Town Hall. Currently the committee is working on coming up with some sort of communication practice. The committee is trying to locate a consultant.

Patricia Widmeyer from Glen Arbor Bed and Breakfast – Wishes to thank the Board for turning the sign on for the Holiday Market. It was enormous success and Patricia contributes that to the exposure that the sign provided. There were 1300 people who came through the market. Also there were 400 Carolers the night before for the tree lighting ceremony. Also a huge line up for Santa Claus. The communication was enormously successful. We strongly support the digital sign.

Bill Meserve – Glen Lake Association – In the past the Association has partnered with the Township for a 2% grant for funding of the watershed protection project. The Association would like to partner with the Township again this year for the grant request.

Minutes were presented from the 10/16/18 regular board meeting. **Motion to approve the minutes of the 10/16/18 regular board meeting with corrections by Gretzema. Support by Peppler. Motion carried.**

Minutes of the Election Commission Meetings of 10/16/2018 and 10/24/2018 were presented. **Motion to approve the 10/16/2018 and 10/24/2018 minutes by Van Nort. Support by Gretzema. Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report – Total cash on hand 10/31/2018 \$2,416,041.69 some of which is the tax collection fund. The Treasurer is in the process of updating the CD's.

There is a net balance of \$5,013.14 in the Park Construction Fund. The total expenses for the Park Construction is \$993,000.00

General Fund: Expenses: \$24,638.18. Payroll: \$14,399.69. **Motion to approve and pay General Fund expenses and payroll by Quick. Support by Peppler. Motion carried.**

Emergency Services: Expenses \$148,826.76. Payroll: \$76,056.79. **Motion to approve and pay the Emergency Services expenses and payroll by Van Nort. Support by Peppler. Motion carried.**

Emergency Services Advisory Commission Report – Bill Wiltner – There was 4 opens for staff. One person met the requirements. That person is scheduled to start on December 3rd. That leaves 3 remaining slots open. The Commission requests permission to purchase a phone system up to

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\$2,000.00. **Motion to approve the purchase of a phone system by Gretzema. Support by Van Nort. Motion carried.**

Fire Chief Operations Report – covered above

Zoning Administrators Report – Submitted in writing.

Monthly Assessors Report – Submitted in writing.

Correspondence -

- MTA Weekly News – 6
- LCRC Reports – 3
- MTA Monthly Legislative Update
- Leelanau County Request of Volunteers
- Glen Arbor Treasurer Replacement AD
- Conservancy Audit of Oxbow
- Potential Zoning issues Besio vs Glen Craft Marina
- Potential Zoning Issue Cherry Republic – Seating and Parking
- Township Focus
- Sleeping Bear Citizens Council – Mike Revard – President
- Planning and Zoning News
- DNR Letter on Forest Roads
- Consumers Power Cost Recovery Plan

Unfinished Business –

- Approved Master Plan – **Motion to approve the Master Plan as submitted by Quick. Support by Gretzema. Motion carried.**
- Supervisor Face Book page – it is being shut down.
- Treasurer Application – 2 applications so far.

New Business

- Potential action on plastic – no action at this time.
- Potential action on benefits for Township Employees – the issue will be investigated.
- Potential donation to Glen Lake Library – the discussion will be continued.
- Ordinance #3-2018 – Prohibit Recreational Marijuana Establishments – **Motion to approve by Lewis. Support by Quick. Roll call vote – Van Nort – yes, Gretzema – yes, Quick – yes, Lewis – yes, Peppler - yes. Motion carried.**
- Potential action on road ends – **Motion to remove the road end signs by Gretzema. Support by Peppler. Motion carried.**
- Golf carts on the streets and roads – the Township is allowed to regulate if the golf carts are allowed or not. The State would have to approve any state road. M-22 and M-109 would fall into this category. Supervisor Van Nort will investigate further.

Planning Commission Report – John Peppler – The Chamber of Commerce is no longer contributing to the cost of the public restrooms. The Chamber of Commerce will look at their budget and reconsider.

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Public Comment – Ron Calsbeek – I hope the Township will support the Library. Glen Arbor Township does not have a public beach. It would be nice to have one for the public. After the discussion on golf carts, what about snowmobiles on the public streets.

Bill Merserve – Empire Area Food Pantry gave out about 50 turkeys this year. He would like to thank Arts Tavern. During the pig roast they collected \$850.00 from the community and a truck load of food which was donated. Also a thank you to Stephens Propane who donated 25 turkeys. And the Elks Club of Traverse City who gave out 100 turkey dinners with the trimmings. The Empire Food received 10 of those. Also to John Pepler for 50 pounds of venison.

Board Member Comments – Lewis – e-mail comments – is there anything missing that the Board needs to discuss.

Supervisor Comments – None

Meeting adjourned – 8:45PM to go into the Closed Session for continued personnel evaluation of John Dodson. Chief Dodson requested that the meeting be held in a Closed Session. **Roll call vote. Motion carried.**

Closed Session Call to Order – 8:37PM

Adjourn Closed Session – Van Nort at 9:39PM

Reopen Township Board Meeting at 9:40

Adjourn to the Call of the Chair at 9:40

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Nash
Glen Arbor Township Deputy Clerk