

**GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP**

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Regular Meeting, November 18, 2014 Minutes  
(Meeting Electronically Recorded)

Township Supervisor, John Soderholm, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM in the Glen Arbor Town Hall Meeting Room. All board members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was presented and approved without modification.

Minutes from the October 21, 2014 regular meeting were presented and modified. **Motion to approve modified minutes Gretzema, support Kelly. Motion carried.**

Public Comment:

- John Les Perance: Spoke regarding paving of Cheney Road. Distributed parcel map showing residents opposed to paving as well as a copy of the petition circulated to residents.
- John Eichstadt: Also spoke regarding paving of Cheney Road. Majority of year-round residents do not want the road paved.
- Rob Karner: Representing Glen Lake Association. Culvert #3 on river needs improvement and would like Township involved. Also stated that the Hatlem Pond process is in progress, but not yet completed. GLA is launching a campaign next Spring/Summer to educate riparian's about being lake-friendly.
- John Soderholm spoke regarding the Cheney Woods paving project, stating that the Clerk would verify signatures on the pro and con petitions. The Board would then determine whether to proceed and if so, present the costs in February through the budget process. At that time, there will be further opportunity for public comment on the project.

Treasurer's Report – 10/31/14 Cash on hand: \$1,956,883. Tax bills should go out during the last week of November.

- Bills – General Fund: \$22,988 expenses and payroll of \$12,508. **Motion to approve Thompson, support Gretzema. Motion carried.** Financial statements reviewed.
- Bills - Emergency Services: \$11,760 expenses and payroll of \$63,701. All expenses and financial statements have been reviewed and approved by ESAC. **Motion to approve Gretzema, support Quick. Motion carried.** Financial statements reviewed.

Emergency Services Advisory Commission – Bill Batterson

- October 15, 2014 draft minutest distributed.
- In January, ESAC meetings will change to the Monday before the Empire Board meeting, usually the second Monday of each month, at 10:00.
- Bill announced that after 10 years of service on ESAC, he will be leaving at the end of this year.

Fire Chief Operations Report – John Dodson

- Completed work on proposal to retrofit lighting at Station 1. Cost for conversion to LED will be recouped in 2 ½ years through energy savings. Request approval for up to \$20,000 for the process. **Motion to approved \$20,000 made by Quick, support Kelly. Motion carried.**

Zoning Administrators Report – Submitted in writing. 8 Land Use Permits issued.

Monthly Assessor Report – Submitted in writing.

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Correspondence was reviewed and accepted as presented.

- Thank-you from Glen Lake Schools for use of tennis courts.
- John Eichstadt II: Letter regarding Cheney Road paving.
- Bob Senk: Letter regarding Cheney Road paving.
- National Park Service: Proposed fee increases.
- MDEQ:
  - Charles Andrews: Pre-application.
  - John & Carol Lund -7209 W Day Forest Rd-Permit to install siltation barrier, remove existing seawall, and place approximately 14 cubic yards of riprap and stones along 60 feet of shoreline to create shoreline protection.
- Glen Lake Association: Letter regarding Hatlem pond dredging and thank-you.
- Glen Lake Association: Thank-you for Swimmer's Itch contribution.
- EPS: Notice of 2.5% price increase.
- Planning & Zoning News, Michigan Township News

Unfinished Business:

- Cheney Road paving: Clerk asked to work with Assessor to verify signatures and ownership.

New Business:

- One snow-plowing bid received from Lanham Construction. **Motion to award bid to Lanham made by Thompson, support Gretzema. Motion carried.**
- Resolution #8-2014: Deleting properties from the Fisher Lake SAD, which were improperly included in district. **Motion to approve Thompson, support Kelly. Roll call vote: All aye. Motion carried.**
- Transportation Subcommittee Interim Recommendations: Report distributed. Fred Missad proposed interim solutions, as outlined in the report, to aid traffic congestion and trailhead connection to GA. **Motion to accept all recommendations dependent upon consultation with a traffic engineer and to pursue the engineer through an RFP process made by Gretzema, support Kelly. Motion carried.**

Planning Commission Report – Kent Kelly

- Minutes from 11/6/14 meeting distributed.
- Working on site plan changes.

Public Comment:

- Jeff Gietzen: Asked at what point do the recommendations from the Transportation Subcommittee become public? Soderholm responded that they are public record as of this meeting.
- John Les Perance: Reiterated that the majority of residents oppose Cheney Road paving.

Board Member Comment:

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- Quick: Distributed Septic System newsletter that Empire Township will be distributing to residents.
- Thompson: Folks are asking for a solar lamp at boat ramp. He will investigate cost.

Supervisor Comment:

- Received a letter from the Women's Club suggesting that the Township finish landscaping the circle in the Town Hall parking lot. Will bring copies of the letter to next meeting.

Board meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Ives, Deputy Clerk