

**BLENDON TOWNSHIP**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**August 18, 2016**

1. Bill Vanden Berg, Township Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Invocation by Don Vander Kuyl.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
4. Roll call. PRESENT: Betty Luurtsema, Don Vander Kuyl, Bill Vanden Berg, Robin Overway  
ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Paul Blauwkamp
5. Motion to approve the agenda offered by Luurtsema, supported by Overway. Motion carried.
6. Motion to approve the minutes of the Blendon Township Board meeting held on July 21, 2016, made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Overway. Motion carried.
7. Motion to approve invoices dated July 22, 2016, through August 18, 2016, including an addendum made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Overway. Motion carried.
8. Treasurer's Report submitted by Vander Kuyl.
9. Clerk's Report submitted by Overway
10. Supervisor's Report presented by Vanden Berg.
11. Opportunity for Public Comment – None
12. Monthly Reports
  - A. Blendon Township Emergency Services Board – No meeting in July.
  - B. Fire Chief's Report – No report submitted.
  - C. Police Activity Report – June & July Reports submitted by Deputy Jewell.
  - D. Assessor's Report – No report submitted.
  - E. Building Activity Comparison Reports – Submitted for Board Review.
  - F. Building and Grounds Report – No report submitted.
  - G. Zoning Administrator's Report – No report submitted.
  - H. Planning Commission Minutes – July report submitted and highlighted by Jim VanderVeen, Secretary.
13. Tabled Business – None.

14. New Business

A. At 7:30 pm, Supervisor Opened the Public Hearing to set the Stanton Woods Special Assessment Street Lighting District Roll.

- Supervisor shared the 1<sup>st</sup> year assessment amount of \$18.39 per parcel.
- Supervisor provided the members of the public with an opportunity to share their objections – Members of the public were present, no objections were made.
- The Public Hearing was closed at 7:32 pm by the Supervisor.

B. Motion to approve Stanton Woods Special Assessment Street Lighting District Roll was offered by Vander Kuyl, seconded by Overway. Motion Carried

C. Discussion regarding Awards Dinner for all employees.

- Supervisor Vanden Berg suggested the cost being .shared between the Township and the Fire Department budgets at approximately \$3,000 annually for the dinner and awards.
- Treasurer Vander Kuyl indicated that he would prefer to see the “Terryberry” award program initiated as previously discussed at the same cost, which would come from the Township budget for all employees.
- No action taken.

D. Motion to approve Planning Commission recommendation to rezone Terrill Brinks parcel 70-13-35-100-019 from AG to R1 offered by Vander Kuyl, supported by Overway. Motion Carried 3/1

E. Motion to become compliant with Michigan State Law, DHS and LARA, by approval of Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. Z2016-08.01 as recommended by the Planning Commission offered by VanderKuyl, supported by Overway.

Roll call vote: Luurtsema, yes; Vander Kuyl, yes;  
Overway, yes; Vanden Berg, yes. Amendment Adopted

15. Correspondence and Information

- Minutes from Road Committed meeting dated July 13, 2016.

16. Upcoming Events.

- A. Emergency Services – 08/25/16
- B. Planning Commission – 09/06/16
- C. Township Board – 09/15/16

17. With no other business to be brought before the Board, the Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 7:34 pm.

Recorded by Cindy Humphrey, Sr. Administrative Assistant  
Submitted by Robin Overway, Township Clerk