

BLENDON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 15, 2016

1. Bill Vanden Berg, Township Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Invocation by Robin Overway.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
4. Roll call. PRESENT: Don Vander Kuyl, Bill Vanden Berg, Robin Overway, Paul Blauwkamp
ABSENT WITHOUT NOTICE: Betty Luurtsema
5. Motion to add Item E under New Business to reapprove the Zoning Ordinance Amendment to allow for timely publication, offered by Blauwkamp, supported by Vander Kuyl. Motion carried.
6. Motion to approve the agenda offered by Blauwkamp, supported by Vander Kuyl. Motion carried.
7. Motion to approve the minutes of the Blendon Township Board meeting held on August 18, 2016, made by Vander Kuyl, supported by Overway. Motion carried.
8. Motion to approve invoices dated August 19, 2016, through September 15, 2016, including an addendum made by Overway, supported by Blauwkamp. Motion carried.
9. Treasurer's Report submitted by Vander Kuyl.
 - A. Treasurer noted that summer taxes not collected or deferred as of end of business day on the 14th are now late.
 - B. Treasurer explained that an error in the Hudsonville Schools Building & Site millage was entered in error at .8930 and should have been .8830 - revised tax bills were sent resulting in very small differences. Any refund \$1 or less was not distributed unless specifically requested, all refunds over \$1 have been distributed.
 - C. The Auditors have completed and submitted their report for last fiscal year
10. Clerk's Report submitted by Overway
11. Supervisor's Report presented by Vanden Berg.
12. Opportunity for Public Comment.
 - A. Resident, Deb Bussis, asked the Board when an answer to the 64th Avenue capital improvement road paving petition. Supervisor, Vanden Berg, indicated that she should check the website for next month's meeting Agenda.

B. Resident commented that the dust control was not covering their entire street. The belief was that the contractor was only making 1 pass or going too fast.

13. Monthly Reports

A. Blendon Township Emergency Services Board – No meeting in July

B. Fire Chief’s Report – Report submitted by Chief Gernaat

C. Police Activity Report – No reports submitted.

D. Assessor’s Report – Report submitted by Tyler Tacoma.

E. Building Activity Comparison Reports – Submitted by Cindy Humphrey for Board Review.

F. Building and Grounds Report – Report submitted by Kurt Gernaat.

G. Zoning Administrator’s Report – Report submitted by Kurt Gernaat.

H. Planning Commission Minutes – Reviewed by Paul Blauwkamp

- Blauwkamp asked if he would be able to continue as a Planning Commissioner once his Township Trustee position expired. Supervisor, Vanden Berg, indicated that it would be likely.

14. Tabled Business – None.

15. New Business

A. Discuss complete cost of reconstruction and pavement of Tyler Street.

- It was noted that there would need to be a millage to cover the remaining 1 mile, and that could be tasked to the Road Committee.

B. Motion to construct a sidewalk in front of the East corner of the cemetery through to 54th Avenue not to exceed \$25,000, offered by Blauwkamp and supported by Vander Kuyl. Motion Carried

C. Motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-09.1 authorizing Supervisor to adjust line items in 2016-2017 Budget to bring them into positive balance offered by Vander Kuyl, and supported by Blauwkamp.

Roll call vote: Vander Kuyl, yes; Blauwkamp, yes
Overway, yes; Vanden Berg, yes. Resolution Adopted

D. Motion to amended Township Board Minutes dated July 21, 2016, to add New Business Item J. *“Motion to approve recommendation by Road Committee to expend money from Road Fund, capital improvement to pave 72nd Avenue from West of Tyler Street through to 88th Avenue. Motion carried”*

E. Motion to re-adopt Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. Z2016-08.01 to allow for timely publication in the Advance Newspaper offered by VanderKuyl, supported by Overway.

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

16. Correspondence and Information

- County Drain Commission Day of Review notices for Bass Creek, Elenbaas and Townhall Drain Assessments.
- Email to Groundwater Task Force members

17. 2nd Opportunity for public comment. No additional comments.
18. Upcoming Events.
 - Emergency Services – 10/27/2016
 - Planning Commission – 10/04/2016
 - Township Board – 10/20/2016
19. With no other business to be brought before the Board, the Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

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