

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on April 18, 2016 at 7:00p.m. by Supervisor Brege.

Present: Supervisor Brege, Treasurer Leeseberg, Trustee Goddard, Deputy Clerk Lipscomb – sitting in for clerk LaVergne. Cemetery Schram.

Guests: Village of Lincoln President Phil Jordan, David James.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Goddard to approve the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Village of Lincoln President Jordan would like gather support from the Gustin Township Board Members to allow the DDA (Downtown Development Authority) the ability to annex the 40 acre vacant parcel behind Coach Craft (currently owned by the LIDC-Lincoln Industrial Development Corp. Headed by D. Kruitlin) in order to accommodate a possible 10 acre 3 million dollar state of the art 40 bed non-Federally Funded Assisted Living Facility. A Cadillac Company-Belle Oaks has expressed a real interest in on-going conversations with the Village of Lincoln and the DDA about a location in Alcona County or Northeast Michigan. Jordan states, “That the DDA will initially purchase 10 acres after the annexation into the DDA limits in order to help Belle Oaks and the DDA will pay for a feasibility study and hopes to expand future business within Lincoln.” Jordan continued by saying, “Under the previous and the renewed TIFFA Agreement the DDA currently captures 25% of area millages with the remaining 75% staying within Gustin Township/Village of Lincoln. Defer to Leeseberg for specifics. If the project is successful, the Village of Lincoln could possibly anticipate the creation of 40 to 80 units with new jobs in Alcona County and the potential of revitalization of the Downtown area and growth for the surrounding community anticipated within the next 3-10 years.” ***Questions by attending Gustin Township board members included but not limited to:*** What is required by Gustin Township to show support? How soon is the support needed? Village of Lincoln President Jordan responded by stating, “Attorney Dave Cook said all that is needed for Gustin Township to support the DDA project is a motion and the time frame sooner than the next board meeting.” In the meantime Jordan will establish a meeting with officials of Alcona County to gain their support for the annexation of the 40 acre parcel (currently belonging in the LIDC area of the Village of Lincoln) into the DDA territory. Jordan plans to meet with county members in the upcoming 2 weeks. Supervisor Brege and ALL attending Board members requested time to speak with the absent board members prior to making a motion of support. Village of Lincoln President Jordan commented that, “an emailed letter of intent to support will be acceptable unless the board requires additional information or has any other questions and concerns and to contact him directly.”

On a Side note question, by Board of Gustin Township Treasurer Leeseberg to Phil Jordan: “does the Village of Lincoln collect a fire Millage?” Village President Jordan stated, “No. the Village does not collect a fire millage!”

PUBLIC COMMENT: Cemetery Schram inquired as to members on the Zoning Committee. There is some concern as to the possible transfer of the Habitat Warehouse/Storage Facility on Trask Lake Road in

Lincoln being turned into a single family residence. Along with the appearance of an unlicensed used car lot operation located on Tom's Road just north of Trask Lake Road in Lincoln. Supervisor Brege will look into each matter and address Mrs. Schram's concerns.

Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goddard to approve the March Budget Hearing Minutes.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Goddard to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer Leeseberg discussed with the board the Treasurer's report thru March 31, 2016. She noted the expenses and the deposits. There was one land use permit. She balances with the Clerk and the bank. Treasurer Leeseberg reported that she has closed with the county Treasurer as of April 15, 2016. Journal entries will need to reflect the revenues. At 100% and checks can be mailed out.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Brege to approve the March Treasurer's Report.

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS: Zoning Administrator Brege reported that there was 2 new land use permits within the last two weeks. He mentioned that he will check into the matters brought to his attention by Cemetery Schram during the Public Comments. Supervisor Brege stated there is nothing new in the Ordinance Update.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- State of Michigan Public Service Commission hosting a public hearing Tuesday, April 26th @9:00a.m. in Lansing, Michigan for a Consumer Energy approval of a rate increase.
- Mikado Township and Tri Township attempt to update a master plan. If Gustin Township would like a copy will need to fill out forms and return to NEMCOG.
- Forms for Election Nomination Petition are available. Anyone requesting a form will need to complete by April 19, 2016.
- Reminder of the MTA Chapter Meeting on April 19, 2016 @ 7:00p.m. hosted by Gustin Township. Supervisor Brege will provide snacks; a guest speaker and he will be present. All Board members available are invited to attend.
- Treasurer Leeseberg received a notice about a civil class action lawsuit from the Municipal Derivatives Settlement, Rust Consulting. This pertains to financial transactions with Bank of America, GE, JP Morgan, Wachovia and UBS. Leeseberg stated that Gustin Township currently receives checks for taxes from them only but, the Board will need to contact Attorney Dave Cook for advisement. Place sticky note on the communication to ask Clerk LaVergne to send a letter requesting direction from legal counsel on official Gustin Township Letterhead.

BUSINESS:

- C & S Dust Control renewal of services. Rates remain the same as previous year.

**Motion by Brege, seconded by Leeseberg for renewal of services for dust control by C&S.
Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Leeseberg, Goddard. Absent: Ginder, LaVergne. No-None. Motion Carried 3-0**

- Twin Lakes Cemetery on Trask Lake Road in Lincoln. Clean-up Scheduled for April 30, 2016 @ 8:00a.m. until completed. Supervisor Brege to check into the Cemetery Ordinance with regards to the requirement or lack of requirements for a fence around the perimeter of a Cemetery. If no fence is needed the damaged fence may be recycled. If a fence is required then a look at the budget to repair the fence damage. Tarps will be needed to help with the debris removal during clean-up. Excess sand within the cemetery will be used to fill the ruts in the driveway of the cemetery grounds. Supervisor Brege to contact Alcona County Review in order to place an ad.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Goddard for placing an ad in the Alcona County Review for date and volunteers to assist with Cemetery clean-up. Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Leeseberg, Goddard. Absent: Ginder, LaVergne. No-None. Motion Carried 3-0

- Gustin Township Board Meeting for the Month of May to be changed. The regular scheduled meeting date was May 16th the new meeting date May 23rd @ 7:00p.m. Brege stated a posting on the door will be made. No ad will be placed.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg to change Gustin Township Board meeting date to May 23rd @7:00p.m. Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Leeseberg, Goddard. Absent: Ginder, LaVergne. No-None. Motion Carried 3-0

- Received MTA chapter dues annual invoice and need approval to pay.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Leeseberg for paying the MTA Chapter dues annual invoice. Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Leeseberg, Goddard. Absent: Ginder, LaVergne. No-None. Motion Carried 3-0

- Approve Payment of Claims

Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Brege to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$4,649.47 check numbers 9221 through 9241. Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Leeseberg, Goddard. Absent: Ginder, LaVergne. No-None. Motion Carried 3-0

The meeting was adjourned by Brege at 8:00p.m. Until the next meeting on May 23rd at 7:00p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor