

THORNAPPLE TOWNSHIP BOARD

Special Meeting, Monday, September 23, 2019

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bremer at 7:30 a.m. at the Township Hall, followed by the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by those present.
2. Present: Mike Bremer, Deb Buckowing, Curt Campbell, Ross DeMaagd , Sandy Rairigh, and Cindy Willshire. Also present: Chief Randy Eaton, Catherine Getty, Mark Jacobson
Absent: Jake Jelsema (unexcused)
3. **MOTION** by Buckowing, support by Campbell to approve the Printed Agenda as Printed. **MOTION APPROVED** with 6 yes voice votes and one absent.

First Public Comment

4. **Mark Jacobson (6661 N. Noffke):** Asked why his road is not being taken cared of with taxes. Bremer explained how the county decides which roads get upkeep every year. Buckowing explained only the villages and counties get ACT 51 monies to go towards roads.

Public Hearing for Duncan Lake Weed Control Special Assessment

General meeting was adjourned at 7:44 am and public hearing was opened.

5. Mark Jacobson (6661 Noffke Dr) asked who pays for the special assessment now and why does the special assessment taxpayers have to pay for the public lake? Bremer explained that the last assessment ended two years ago and there was enough banked from the special assessment to pay for the past two years. There is a special assessment because the people on the lake and ones with lake access asked for the additional treatments on the lake.
Public hearing was closed at 7:48 and general meeting was re-opened.

Job descriptions and compensation

6. It was decided by the Board to direct the task of compensation to the Personnel Committee. Willshire stated with the task of looking for a new deputy clerk and with the upcoming election, she has asked to be temporarily replaced on the committee. Buckowing will fill on that committee as an alternate member and Rairigh as a backup alternate.

Health Insurance Benefits

7. It was decided that the Township would renew the current non-ACA plan. A vote was suspended till the October 14 Board meeting due to verbiage of resolution to opt-out of ACA plans.

Poll of Members

Campbell (Trustee) – None

DeMaagd (Trustee) - None

Buckowing (Treasurer) – Said the conversations that we are having are very important and we are making progress in our decisions.

Bremer (Supervisor) – Reminded everyone about TTES Pancakeⁱ Breakfast fundraiser on 9/28 and the swiss steak fundraiser for the food pantry on 10/4.

Willshire (Clerk) – None

Rairigh (Trustee) – None

Jelsema (Trustee) – Absent

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, October 14, 2019 @ 7:00P.M.

Next Special Meeting: Wednesday, October 23, 2019

MOTION by Rairigh, support by Willshire to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION APPROVED** with 6 yes voice votes and one absent.

Adjournment of meeting by Supervisor at 9:33 a.m.

Cindy A. Willshire, Clerk

Approved _____
