

***Heath Township
Meeting Minutes
October 2012***

1. Call to order

The regular monthly meeting of the Heath Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Ron Jones at 7:00 on October 8, 2012 at the township hall. Misti opened with prayer.

2. Roll call

Supervisor Ron Jones, Clerk Sheila Meiste, Treasurer, Misti Lindholm, Trustee Hilda Boerman, Trustee Dick Schipper.

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Previous months minutes were approved.

4. Reports

Dean Kapenga, County Commissioner
Bill Nelson, Allegan County Road Commission

5. New business

a) Resolution to oppose hydraulic fracturing (fracking). This resolution strongly urges a ban on the future horizontal hydraulic fracturing for the commercial extraction of natural gas until the safety of the processes and its related chemicals have been fully investigated and vetted through the Michigan and U. S. EPA. This resolution supports the FRAC Act and BREATHE Act and copies of this resolution would be forwarded to the Allegan County Commissioners, Governor's office and the Leadership of the Michigan House and Senate.

Dick will abstain from voting because a well is going to be drilled on his property in the next few months, as soon as the permits are approved.

The resolution was offered by Boerman and supported by Meiste.

Roll call vote: Meiste-yes, Jones-yes, Lindholm-yes, Boerman-yes. Schipper-abstained

B) Clean up days went well and six dumpsters were filled. One more is coming on the third Saturday.

c) There has been more vandalism in the bathrooms in the concession building. They will be closed at the end of October.

d) Bids were received for snow removal for the winter 2012/2013. Bids were received from Al's Excavating, Choice Landscape, Cal's Lawn Service and Wolframs Lawn Service. A discussion was held on the service done with last year's providers. Motion by

Schipper and supported by Boerman to accept the bid from Cal's Lawn Service for \$53 per hour.

e) Dale Ryzenga brought a letter and petitions to the Hamilton Farm Bureau in regards to the noise level from the feed mill driers. He would like to see a 10 x 10 building built with a blower inside to reduce the constant noise. Hilda will talk to PCI to see what more can be done with their complaint. They have addressed this issue before with the Hamilton Farm Bureau.

e) The lighting is out by the dam and is in the process of being fixed. Leaf pickup has started in the township.

6. Zoning update

a) The Planning Commission will be meeting on Thursday, October 18 at 7:00 with two zoning requests.

7. Bills

- a) Motion by Boerman supported by Lindholm to pay township bills.
- b) Motion by Schipper supported by Boerman to pay fire department bills.

8. Adjournment

a) Motion by Boerman supported by Meiste to adjourn the meeting at 7:41

Minutes submitted by Clerk Sheila Meiste, approved by Supervisor Ron Jones.