

***Heath Township
Meeting Minutes
August 2014***

1. Call to order

The regular monthly meeting of the Heath Township Board was called to order by Trustee Hilda Boerman at 7:00 on August 11, 2014 at the township hall. Bill opened with prayer.

2. Roll call

Clerk Sheila Meiste, Treasurer, Misti Lindholm, Trustee Hilda Boerman, Trustee Bill Harvey. Absent: Supervisor, Ron Jones

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Previous months minutes were approved.

4. Reports

- Tonya Schuitmaker introduced herself. She is a state senator for 20th district but now with redistricting she is representing the 26th district and will be on the November ballot.
- Bob Kaarlie, Allegan County Road Commission. 38th St. completed and bids are coming in for 126th Ave. and the completion date was moved back to April 15, 2105. Local roads are decided by the township board and primaries by the road commission. The township is allotted 2 mills and the county 1 mill.

5. New business

a) Adopt the Principles of Governance recommended by MTA. Motion by Harvey supported by Lindholm and unanimously approved to adopt.

b) Planning Commission is rezoning the VanHaren property from R-2 to R-3 from single family to multiple family. The attorney commented this is not spot zoning but is in the future land use. Motion by Meiste supported by Harvey and unanimously approved.

c) Informal open house Tuesday from 4-6 p.m. to give residents a chance to examine the proposals to make the M-40 corridor safer.

d) Jim Storey will be holding office hours the second Monday of each month at the Trestle Stop from 5:30-6:30.

e) Straightline is in the process of edging the sidewalks.

f) A resident questioned why the speed limit on residential streets are different. It is 25 mph on Hubbard and 45 mph on 135th. Who decides this? The state police does and would need to be contacted.

g) The township cannot do anything about the trailer along M-40 down by the river. It cannot be seen from the road and if children try to play on it they would be trespassing.

g) The road millage passed 287-113 and the fire millage 308-92.

6. Zoning update

a) The Planning Commission will be meeting on Thursday August 21 at 7:00 to review a site plan for Consumers Energy and a special use permit for Craig Poll.

7. Bills

a) Motion by Lindholm supported by Harvey to pay township bills.

b) Motion by Harvey supported by Lindholm to pay fire department bills.

8. Adjournment

a) Motion by Meiste supported by Harvey to adjourn the meeting at 7:30.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Sheila Meiste.