

***Heath Township
Meeting Minutes
October 2014***

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 13, 2014 at the township hall. Meiste opened with prayer.

2. Roll call

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

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Previous months minutes were approved.

4. Reports

Jim Storey, County Commissioner.

5. New business

a) 2016 road work. Pave 136th Ave. from 38th to 41st St. This would be shared with Overisel at a total cost of \$300,000. Our share would be \$150,000. Motion by Harvey supported by Boerman and unanimously approved.

b) Hilda checked on the Planning Commission fees of surrounding townships. They are Overisel \$150, Salem \$375, Leighton \$350. Fees charged should cover the assessor's time and printing costs. Planning Commission members time is required to be covered by the township board. The township board need to set up an escrow account for businesses which apply. Anything left in the account at the end of the year would be sent back to them; if the account is short we would bill them.

c) Bill Middleton and his wife questioned if anything has been done since the September meeting. Bob has called their neighbor, sent letters and is trying to work with him. Middleton's have tried to talk with their neighbor as well but have had no luck. They questioned if state blight laws override township ordinances. Hilda will contact our township lawyer and ask Bob to give the board monthly updates.

Ron stated the township would first like to work with residents and apologized this has taken 18 months. We cannot make an exception in one area but have to view the township as a whole. We look at what we have done in the past and what to do in the future. The county police can be contacted if there are junk vehicles.

d) Stephanie McPherson questioned when MDOT will be working on M-40. Ron stated it may not happen until 2017-2018.

e) The township sign has been replaced as well as a few trees in the park.

6. Zoning update

a) The Planning Commission will not be meeting in October. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 20 at 7:00. This meeting will be in regards to changing the wording on accessory buildings.

7. Bills

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

8. Adjournment

a) Motion by Meiste supported by Boerman to adjourn the meeting at 7:42.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Sheila Meiste.