Heath Township Meeting Minutes September 2016

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 September 12, 2016 at the township hall. Bill opened with prayer.

2. Roll call

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

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Previous months minutes were approved.

4. Reports

Jim Storey, County Commissioner.

- Due to the Barry County incident, the county has developed a lockdown procedure
- \$900,000 short in the budget for the MERS program.
- \$694,000 in damage to Allegan county residents from the tornado damage.
- Due to the latest air quality test, Jim has introduced a resolution concerning proposed state and federal government actions to designate Allegan and other Michigan shoreline counties non-attainment areas under the clean air act.

5. New business

a) Ben Williams, Allegan County Resource Recovery explained the \$10 per ton fee being passed on by Kent County Recycling. The proposed amendments would incorporate a \$10 per ton processing fee for 2016 and \$40 per ton in 2017. We would then have to review our contract again. Motion by Harvey supported by Boerman and unanimously approved to approve the contract with Republic through December 31, 2018.

Hilda questioned if mobile home parks will be paying the \$36 fee per lot or per parcel. Ben will be looking into this and let us know. She would also like him to send her a phone number to contact at Republic in regards to the upkeep of their property on M-40.

b) The Planning Commission board is asking what the township board's thoughts are to change the future land use map in agriculture from five acres to two acres. Ron noted this will have an effect on tax rate and land values. Hilda will pass the information on to the Planning Commission.

6. Zoning update

a) The Planning Commission will be meeting on Thursday, September 15 at 7:00 to consider a special use permit.

7. Bills

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

8. Adjournment

a) Motion by Boerman supported by Meiste to adjourn the meeting at 7:45.