

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF LYON  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 7, 2003**

Approved as submitted May 5, 2003.

DATE: April 7, 2003  
TIME: 7:00 PM  
PLACE: 58000 Grand River

Call to Order: Supervisor Shigley called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Roll Call: Present: Joseph Shigley, Supervisor  
Patricia Carcone, Treasurer  
Pamela Johnson, Clerk  
Ray Bisio, Trustee  
Daniel Cash, Trustee  
Steven Adams, Trustee  
Lannie Young, Trustee

Also Present: Matthew Quinn, Township Attorney  
Chris Olson, Township Superintendent  
Chris Doozan, Township Planner  
Loren Crandell, Township Engineer  
Larry Phillips, Building Official  
Les Cash, Fire Chief

Guests: 69

**1. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2003
- Approval of Disbursements
- Approval of Financial Statements through February, 2003
- Resolution/Proclamation of Disabled Sports Week in May
- Resolution/Proclamation Designating April as Fair Housing Month
- Engineer Monthly Report
- Building Department Monthly Report
- Fire Department Monthly Report
- Sheriff Department Report
- Zoning Officer Report
- Earth Tech – WWTP Operating Report

Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Ms. Johnson supported

the motion.

Roll Call Vote:           Ayes:           Bisio, Carcone, Cash, Johnson, Shigley, Young, Adams  
                                   Nays:           None

Motion approved.

**2.        CALL TO THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Dan Allor, William K. Smith Drive, stated that he is planning on constructing another building across the street from his existing building. Approximately 2-1/2 years ago he went through all the steps in the process and was at the point where all he needed to get was the permits to begin construction. He stated that because of the economy he backed off and decided to wait. He noted that he has sold the building he is currently in and would like to get started again on the new building.

Mr. Allor stated that on March 3, 2003 he completed the application to begin the process again. He stated that he was supposed to be on the docket for the March 28, 2003 meeting, but it was too full. He stated that he was then told that he would be on the April 14, 2003 docket for planning review and have now been told that he will not be on this agenda either. He asked the Board for their help in getting him on the agenda.

After brief discussion, Mr. Young asked Mr. Allor to get together with Mr. Doozan at the Township Hall tomorrow afternoon to discuss this.

**3.        APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Shigley stated that the agenda is long tonight and that there are many items that he would have liked to add to the agenda for this evening. He stated that he would like for the Board to consider for the future, that some kind of policy be set with regard to adding items to the agenda.

Mr. Young stated that with regard to the Sucher Farm issue, he would like to request that public comments be held to ten minutes. He stated that he feels that they have heard a lot of the resident's comments already. Mr. Adams stated that he feels that they should allow the public

fifteen minutes, which is the amount that they are allowing the developer. Mr. Young stated that he did not have a problem with this.

Mr. Olson stated that with regard to additions to the agenda, he prepared a supplementary packet for the Board of items that arrived late. He stated that they sent the packets out about a week ahead of time due to scheduling issues. He stated that they did receive items, particularly from the Road Commission, which he briefly discussed.

Mr. Shigley stated that he would like to set a maximum time of 10:00 PM for the completion of the agenda. He stated that he would like to not have any presentation given this evening not to exceed fifteen minutes.

Mr. Young made a motion to approve the agenda as modified. Mr. Cash supported the motion.

Voice Vote:	Ayes:	All
	Nays:	None

Motion approved.

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

##### **a. Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Olson stated that included in the supplemental packet to the Board is some fairly extensive documents from himself with regard to the status of current items going on in the Township. He stated that this stands as written. He stated that there are some meetings that do need to be scheduled and requested that the Board members contact him with their schedules.

Mr. Olson stated that they have a proposal from Earth Tech for the collection system and the treatment plant contract renewals. He asked the Board members to look this proposal over.

##### **b. Continental Aluminum – Health Consultation Report (No Action)**

Mr. Olson stated that this would be a receive and file item. There is a report that came from the Health Department and was briefly reported in the Detroit News. He noted that it is not really

correct. He stated that in his opinion, this is really justification to get additional funding.

Mr. Shigley stated that he did some downloading of information from the Township's web site, and for the month of March there were over 17,000 hits on the site. Just in the first three days of April there have been 3,700 hits on the site. He noted that it shows that the residents are interested in what is going on in the Township.

Darcy Hollon, 24300 Martindale Road, stated that with regard to the Michigan Department of Community Health, she felt it is important for the Board to respond to the most recent report. She felt that the monitoring should be conducted 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. She discussed her reasoning for this. She also discussed the possibility of the Township getting together with an Environmental Attorney to work along side of the Township Attorney. She stated that she has talked with an Environmental Attorney who would be willing to sit down and discuss the issue with the Township. She stated that she will provide the Board with this Attorney's phone number, if they wish.

Harold Grove concurred with the comments made by Ms. Hollon.

Robin Allen, 28550 Tindale Trail, had the following questions/comments:

- Where does the Township stand on the open door tickets? Mr. Allen noted that he has been told that just about every day since Continental went back into operations, Mr. Phillips has written tickets for the this.
- The outdoor storage issue was brought up at the February meeting – has this issue been investigated?
- Noise issue – He stated that they were told that Continental was going to come before the Board this month with some sort of plan – what is the status of this?
- Camera – He stated that last year the residents requested that the Township acquire a camera to watch Continental. At that time they were told that there was not enough money in the budget to do this. He stated that at the last meeting it was indicated that there is a lot of money in the budget. If this is true, he would like to see the Township purchase a camera.
- With regard to the berm on the north side of Continental's property line – five of the pine trees planted have died and he would like to request that they be replaced.

## 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### a. Open Space Preservation Option – Wetland and Watercourse Setback Requirements – Amendment to Section 19.03(F), item 6(c) – Second Reading and Proposed Adoption

Mr. Doozan stated that this involves Section 19.03(F), item 6(c). The amendment to this section will bring the Open Space Preservation Option into compliance with the recently adopted footnote f of the Schedule of Regulations. He explained what this footnote provides for.

Mr. Young made a motion to approve the second reading and adopt the 2003 Open

Space

Preservation Option – Wetland and Watercourse Setback Requirements as presented. Mr. Bisio supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion from the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Carcone, Cash, Johnson, Shigley, Young,  
Adams, Bisio  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**b. East Grand River Change Orders – Project Update**

Mr. Crandell updated the Board of the issues of the claims with regard to Quadrants and the Township for the East Grand River sewer. He also updated the Board on the outstanding claims from Macomb Pipeline and for undercutting. There was no action required by the Board this evening on this issue.

**c. Legal Settlement with Quadrants for East Grand River Sanitary Sewer Project; Final Draft arrived by Fax on 4-4-03 (Clean copy will be provided by Township Attorney)**

Mr. Quinn stated that this deals with a proposed settlement agreement with Quadrants regarding some alleged claims that they had against the Township. He briefly explained what some of the alleged claims were.

Mr. Quinn noted that they have been passing back and forth several drafts of the agreement between his office and Quadrant's Attorney's office during the past week or so. He stated that at this point there is an agreement that has been proposed that is being recommended as a full and complete agreement between the Township and Quadrants for the entire project. He stated that they have put everything together to get this issue completed. He stated that the only thing that would be left would be their Exhibit B, which deals with tree removal.

Mr. Quinn stated that because of the weather, Bill Clark was not able to sign this document so that the original could be presented to the Township today. He stated that if the Board is in agreement to this resolution, then he would ask that they approve the settlement agreement subject to final review by the Engineers and the Attorneys. He stated that this would then be verified to Mr. Olson

so that Mr. Shigley could sign this.

Mr. Quinn stated that for whatever reason, if the Board is not comfortable approving this in this fashion, then he would not have a problem if this was held off until the next meeting. He noted that further down on the agenda tonight is A&M Label, which is part of this condominium. He felt that the Board would like to move the A&M Label project along.

Mr. Olson stated that Mr. Quinn, Mr. Crandell and himself spent a lot of time on this last week. He felt that this is pretty well in final form. It does cover topics of issues that were discussed back in January and February.

Mr. Adams stated that he would be in favor of delaying this until they have the signatures on it and it is a legal, binding document. Mr. Bisio questioned how this would affect A&M Label. Mr. Quinn responded that all the Board would be doing is approving the overall plan so that they can continue through the County's Economic Development Program. It really does not have a direct impact on building plans tonight.

Mr. Young stated that if this does not hold anything up, he would rather wait.

Mr. Bisio made a motion to table this issue until the April 16, 2003 meeting. Mr. Young supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there are any comments regarding the motion from the Board. There were none. Mr. Shigley asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Voice Vote:	Ayes:	All
	Nays:	None

Motion approved.

#### **d. Text Amendment to Fire Department Rules and Regulations**

Mr. Quinn stated that the Board was given a draft of these at their last meeting for review. He stated that Sections C 1, 2 and 3 are presented this evening for the Board's approval and adoption into the policy. This would replace the existing subsection 3C. He briefly reviewed the text amendments.

Mr. Adams questioned if the Rules and Regulations are now dated and given specific numbers.

Mr. Olson responded that they are dated effective when the Board approves them but they are not numbered. He noted that this is the first change since the Rules and Regulations were adopted. He stated that they could put an amendment number as well as the date on them.

Mr. Shigley stated that he has read this and looked it over and is concerned that this does not follow the intent of the law. He stated that by using Legal Counsel's guidance that this is in fact following the law, he would be able to accept this.

Mr. Young made a motion to adopt the text amendments to the Fire Department's Rules and Regulations per the form dated February 26, 2003. Mr. Bisio supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion by the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Cash, Johnson, Shigley, Young, Adams, Bisio, Carcone  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Rezoning request for Sucher Farms, from R-1.0, Residential-Agricultural, to MHP, Mobile Home Park (157.62 acres) – 15 minute presentation from representative allotted – 15 minutes for public comments**

Mr. Doozan stated that the Board should have had a chance to read through the December 20, 2002 McKenna Associates, Inc. letter to the Planning Commission. He summarized the case and the major points for the Board. He displayed, using an overhead, the summary of the major points, which he reviewed.

Robert Jacobs, Attorney, gave a brief presentation of the proposed development on the Sucher Farm. He noted that they have provided each member of the Board with an extensive information packet for their review. Using a displayed map, Mr. Jacobs indicated the location of this property and what is surrounding it.

Mr. Jacobs stated that they do not feel that it is economically feasible to develop this property under the current zoning of R-1.0. He noted that utilities are available for this property. If necessary,

they could use a package treatment facility rather than tying into the Township's system. He felt that the current zoning is not a reasonable use of the land. There is a high demand and need for alternative types of housing. He stated that their studies have indicated this.

Mr. Jacobs stated that the Master Plan does not indicate any locations which are zoned for manufactured housing. The only two parcels that have been zoned for this are already developed and are 20 to 30 years old. He noted that in these two, there is only a 1.8 vacancy ratio.

Mr. Jacobs felt that by rezoning this property it would be a transitional use. They are going from an industrial use to a more intensive single family use and then to a moderate density use. He stated that they believe that this is an appropriate use of this property and that there is a need for this type of affordable housing.

Mr. Jacobs stated that they have put together some additional information, which he passed out to the Board members. He reviewed the criteria for manufactured housing zoning and felt that they meet all of the criteria.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any public comments. The following residents spoke and expressed their strong opposition to this development as per their comments at the Planning Commission public hearing:

Greg Dobson, 54829 Greenlefe Circle  
Cindy Groene, 54808 Greenlefe Circle

Darcy Hollon, 24300 Martindale Road  
Troy Schilling, 57780 Twelve Mile Road

Mr. Shigley stated that he would open it up for five minutes for comments from the Board before he calls for a motion.

Mr. Adams stated that our community has not been intolerant of having manufactured homes, as evidence by the high percentage. He indicated that Mr. Jacobs stated that there is no place for manufactured homes, to which Mr. Adams stated that Mr. Jacobs just came late. Mr. Adams stated that the Township has a great Master Plan. He stated that some communities east of Lyon Township have no manufactured homes (Bloomfield Hills – 0, Bloomfield Township – 0,

Birmingham

- 0). He questioned if there is no need for them there.

Mr. Young stated that that he read through as much of the provided information as he could, it is

very exhaustive. He stated that for as much work as went into putting together the information

packets, it pales as to the amount of work that they have put into the Master Plan. He stated that

they did a Master Plan to provide a compass to develop the Township. He noted that they had

input from all the residents, who actually pay the bills here. The Master Plan reflects the wishes of

the members of this community. It doesn't plan for a mobile home park in this area. He discussed

some other beautiful developments which were developed on gravel pits and quarries. He stated

that the logic that the surrounding area is something less than what would allow for our particular

information that he zoning, R-1.0, Single Family Housing, just doesn't carry any weight. He discussed

found on the internet with regard to the census and number of mobile homes in the State of

Michigan.

Mr. Young stated that as long as he is in office he could never support something like this based on

the fact that this doesn't support the Master Plan. It doesn't implement the Master Plan. There are

road issues. He stated that this is not for Lyon Township, it is not what the residents want. He stated

that he doesn't believe that this Board will support a development of this type.

Mr. Bisio stated that the Township already has 20% of mobile homes. There are other mobile homes

that feed into the Township from other Counties. He stated that they already have a burden on the

school system and this development will just compound this.

Ms. Carcone stated that this year she collected \$20,000,000 in property taxes, including special

assessments. She stated that the residents pay their fair share of taxes. The property owner of the

mobile home park pays taxes on the mobile home park itself, but not on the actual home that sits

on the property. She stated that they pay \$3.00 per month of which the Township only gets \$0.50.

She stated that she cannot support something like this. She concurred with all the comments

that  
have been made.

Mr. Cash stated that he feels that Lyon Township has their own fair share of mobile home parks. He stated that Lyon Township ranks 5th out of three Counties with 20.3%.

Mr. Shigley stated that he has been on the Board of over 14 years and has seen them go through many different Master Plans. He stated that he believed that this particular type of development violates all Master Plans that the Township has ever had. He stated that he would hate to see this happen, it totally destroys the character of what they are trying to do in this community.

Ms. Johnson discussed the tax issue of a mobile home park versus single family residential. She stated that she does not believe that this is a good thing for this area.

Mr. Olson briefly discussed the information they receive this evening as it relates the fiscal impacts of the schools.

Mr. Young made a motion to deny the request for rezoning of the Sucher Farm for the following reasons:

- The rezoning wouldn't permit the implementation of the Master Plan.
- This rezoning would be in conflict with the Future Land Use Map.
- It is not consistent with the rural residential character.
- It would not correct any inequitable situations that are currently in the Township.
- The Township currently has a higher portion of mobile home units than most of the surrounding communities.
- It would burden the loads on the infrastructure even further than they are now.
- It would not be consistent with residential agricultural zoning.
- Comments in the McKenna Associates, Inc. review letter dated February 10, 2003.
- Comments in the McKenna Associates, Inc. review letter dated December 20, 2002.
- The Board's comments this evening.
- The public's comments this evening.
- Mr. Olson's fiscal impact analysis of April 4, 2003 and his comments made tonight.
- The public hearing minutes from January 13, 2003.

Mr. Adams supported the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Shigley, Young, Adams, Bisio,  
Carcone, Cash

Nays: None

Motion approved.

The Board took a five minute break.

**b. Liberty Chevrolet, Unit 8 – Lyon Towne Center PD Amendment**

Mr. Doozan reviewed the comments indicated in the March 14, 2003 McKenna Associates, Inc.

letter with regard to the requested amendment to the PD Agreement for Lyon Towne Center.

Tony Antone, Kojaian, stated that he has his entire team with him this evening to answer any questions that the Board may have. He stated that he believes that Liberty Chevrolet will be an outstanding addition to Lyon Towne Center.

Mr. Shigley questioned what affect the Ford dealership will have on the Chevrolet dealership.

Jay Feldman, Owner, Jay Chevrolet, responded that he believes that any type of retail that is around is going to have an affect. He stated that what got them excited about this location is the other retail surrounding it and the highway traffic. He felt that there would be a lot of exposure.

Mr. Shigley stated that he felt that this is a wonderful design, but he is not accustomed to seeing dealerships in shopping centers. He questioned why Mr. Feldman would want to do this. Mr. Feldman discussed a couple of dealerships that are located in shopping centers that are very successful.

Mr. Shigley questioned if the billboard signs are coming down with this proposal. Mr. Antone responded that they are not. He stated that there is a long term lease in place and that they do not have control over them. He noted that this issue came up at the Planning Commission also.

Mr. Shigley asked if there are any plans to move the commercial retail that was originally planned for this area. Mr. Doozan responded that they have not specifically identified any other locations for this retail to be located elsewhere in the community. He noted that they are currently looking at the Master Plan to place commercial along Ten Mile Road. He pointed out that this is probably the best location within the Lyon Towne Center for a dealership.

Mr. Bisio noted that the dealership is only a six day operation as opposed to a seven day operation, such as a home improvement store.

Mr. Young noted that the big concern is with the lighting. Mr. Antone stated that they have talked about the lighting issue extensively. He stated that Mr. Feldman has done a phenomenal job at toning down the lighting. Mr. Feldman stated that the lights at this dealership will be 10% of what the Ford dealership currently has. He noted that lighting was probably the issue that they spent

the most time on. There was further discussion with regard to the lighting.

Ms. Carcone discussed the bike path. She stated that she would like to see the connection to the dealership from the trail. Mr. Bisio stated that this was about the only issue that the Planning Commission left open. He stated that it was split as to a decision of whether or not to connect. Mr. Feldman stated that it doesn't matter to him either way, it is up to the Board as to what they want.

Mr. Bisio questioned the security. Mr. Feldman stated that during the normal hours of operation there are enough employees there that they don't require security. It is after hours they do have security. Mr. Bisio asked Mr. Feldman to tell the Board about the number of jobs coming in and his commitment to the community. He noted that the Planning Commission was impressed with this information. Mr. Feldman responded that in the beginning he will need sixty people. He stated that his Highland store, which is slightly less than this one, employs 90 full time people. He stated that he would anticipate that within a year to year and a half there will probably be 100 people working at this location. He noted that most of their employees do come from the local community. He stated that they tend to be very community involved. He stated that he feels that when you are successful in a community you should give back to the community.

Mr. Feldman stated that out of 42 Chevrolet dealerships in Metro Detroit, they are ranked number one in customer satisfaction and number three in sales. He noted that they win General Motors Mark of Excellence Award every year for customer satisfaction.

Mr. Shigley stated that he has noticed that there are a lot of shrubs throughout the road system in the development that are dying. Mr. Antone stated that he has noticed this as well. He stated that they are all under warranty. They will be replaced when the weather breaks.

Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the amendment to the Planned Development Agreement to allow Liberty Chevrolet as proposed. Ms. Carcone supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion from the Board.

Mr. Doozan asked Mr. Quinn if this would be considered a first reading. Mr. Quinn responded that this would because it is amending the PD Agreement which is the zoning. There was discussion with regard to the first and second readings.

Mr. Adams amended his motion to consider this the first and second reading to approve the amendment to the Planned Development Agreement for Lyon Towne Center to permit Liberty Chevrolet to go forward as proposed. Ms. Carcone supported the amended motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comment on the amended motion by the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments.

James Huffman, 58560 Grand River Avenue, questioned when the ring road will be open and where will it go. Mr. Olson responded that they are in the appraisal process, which has not yet been completed. This information would have to be assembled for consideration.

Mr. Huffman questioned if the ring road would be open before the dealership and Wal-Mart.

Mr. Olson responded that it would not be.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Shigley, Young, Adams, Bisio, Carcone, Cash,  
Johnson  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**c. Resolution regarding A&M Label**

Mary Langhauser, Oakland County Economic Development Corporation, explained that this is for the financing for A&M Label, which is before the Board this evening. This has nothing to do with the plans, only the financing.

Jim Listerman, A&M Label, briefly explained what his company does and what the project entails.

Mr. Cash made a motion to approve by resolution the A&M Label project. Mr. Bisio supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion by the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Young, Adams, Bisio, Carcone, Cash,  
Johnson, Shigley  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**d. Ordinance Enforcement – Trustee Young**

Mr. Young stated that he would like to see the Board consider a policy regarding ordinance enforcement. He stated that he would like to use this as the impetus to go forward and ask the Attorney's to put this in resolution form so that it can be adopted, if the Board approves.

Mr. Olson briefly discussed the language that he added to this proposal.

Mr. Shigley questioned some of the language on the second page. There was brief discussion

with regard to this. Mr. Olson noted that this is not in final form.

Mr. Quinn noted that essentially all the Board would be doing is suggesting a motion for the Superintendent and Legal Counsel to get together to finalize the policy document and put it in a resolution and bring it back to the Board at the May meeting.

Mr. Young made a motion to ask the Superintendent and Legal Counsel to look at this and put it in resolution form to be brought back to the Board at a subsequent meeting. Mr. Bisio supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion from the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments.

Wayne Bailey, 23900 Griswold Road, stated that he felt that this is a good idea. He felt that it should go one step further. He would like it to set a protocol for the public as to a procedure that they would follow.

Voice Vote:	Ayes:	All
	Nays:	None

Motion approved.

#### **e. Approval of Fire Training Burn**

Mr. Olson stated that they received a letter from South Lyon Schools indicating a donation of a house to allow a training burn. He stated that it is policy that if other departments join in, that there be an agreement with the Township and other governing bodies so that the School District is not held liable.

Mr. Adams questioned what is involved in a controlled burn.

Chief Cash briefly explained what is involved in this and how it is handled. He noted that the City of South Lyon's Fire Department will be joining the Lyon Township Fire Department in this training.

Mr. Quinn stated that the reason the Board is involved now is because the indemnification agreement. He stated that they are indemnifying the School District, and this is a contract that only the Board can enter into. He stated that Mr. Olson needs to make sure that the School District is added to the Township's insurance policy for this particular incident.

Mr. Shigley questioned what risk the Township would be taking. Mr. Quinn responded that the only risk would be that they are adding an additional insured on the policy for this one incident. He stated that other than that there is no more risk than any other controlled burn held before.

Mr. Bisio made a motion to approve the fire training burn as discussed and the Township agrees to insure, hold harmless and indemnify the owner of the property, which is the South Lyon Community Schools. Ms. Carcone supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion by the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments.

Sharon Chalifour, 57620 Pontiac Trail, stated that she feels that this is an excellent opportunity for the Fire Department and felt that it should be approved.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Adams, Bisio, Carcone, Cash, Johnson, Shigley, Young  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**f. Award of Lawn Mowing Bid**

Mr. Shigley stated that his son was one of the bidders for the lawn mowing and asked to be abstained from voting on this issue.

Ms. Johnson made a motion to allow Mr. Shigley to abstain from voting on this issue. Mr. Young supported the motion.

Voice Vote: Ayes: All  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

Mr. Quinn noted that Mr. Shigley should also abstain from chairing this issue. Ms. Johnson was asked to chair this issue.

Mr. Olson briefly went over the bids that were received. He noted that the two lowest bids were from Richard Fairfield, Township Maintenance Man, and from Turf Cut Services. Turf Cut

Services

bid a price of \$495.00 per cut for all six properties (Township Hall, Community Center and four cemeteries). Richard Fairfield bid a price of \$510.10 per cut. He noted that this was requested information and was not submitted. Mr. Olson noted that he has also included in the packet a comparison from 2001 and 2002.

Mr. Adams questioned what areas are involved for cutting at the Township Hall. Mr. Olson explained what sections are the responsibility of the Township Hall.

Mr. Olson stated that his recommendation would be to retain Richard Fairfield to do the mowing of the properties.

Ms. Carcone stated that she is a big advocate of the Township purchasing their own equipment. There was discussion with regard to the rental of the equipment from Richard Fairfield versus the cost of purchasing the equipment for the Township. There was also discussion with regard to insurance. A contractor coming in would have their own insurance, whereas Richard Fairfield does not have any insurance and the Township would be liable. It was noted that the bids considered should be uniform.

Mr. Olson noted that he would ask Richard Fairfield about the possibility of him acquiring insurance.

Mr. Young made a motion to table the award of the lawn mowing bid until the April 16, 2003 meeting. Ms. Carcone supported the motion.

Voice Vote:	Ayes:	All
	Nays:	None
	Abstained:	Shigley

Motion approved.

Ms. Johnson asked if there were any public comments.

Ted Soper, 27565 T.F. Hicks Court, stated that what he is hearing tonight is a lot of confusion with this issue. He suggested that the Board begin this process earlier next year. He discussed getting quotes on equipment. He felt that the Township should have a contractor with insurance cutting

the lawn.

Mr. Shigley resumed as Chair of the meeting.

**g. Purchase of Township Flags for the Building and for District Court**

Mr. Shigley noted that Lyon Towne Center had a template made and is flying a flag with the Township logo on it. He noted that they have also donated a flag to the Township, but it is 8' and too big to hang in the meeting room. He stated that when they go to the MTA meetings, the Township does not have a flag, nor do they have one to fly at the Township Hall. He felt that this is a good idea.

Mr. Young made a motion to purchase two flags for the Township and for the 52-1 Court. Ms. Adams supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion from the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments.

Pat Bailey, 23900 Griswold Road, stated that the flag looks very nice.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bisio, Carcone, Cash, Johnson, Shigley, Young, Adams  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**h. 2003 Gravel Road Chloriding Program, proposed by RCOC; arrived 3-31-03**

Ms. Carcone stated that she is going to settle with the County on Friday and would like to get the Board's approval on this issue tonight.

Ms. Carcone made a motion to pay for the 2003 Budget Year for Chloriding of the Township roads at \$0.24 per lineal foot. Ms. Johnson supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments from the Board on the motion. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Carcone, Cash, Johnson, Shigley, Young, Adams, Bisio  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**i. Request for Special Joint Board and Planning Commission Workshop for the Storm Water Master Plan – April 16, 2003**

Ms. Carcone made a motion to approve a special Board meeting for Wednesday, April 16, 2003 at 6:00 PM. Mr. Young supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion from the Board. There were none. He then asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

Voice Vote:           Ayes:           All  
                              Nays:           None

Motion approved.

Mr. Shigley noted that they are past 10:00 PM. Mr. Quinn explained what options the Board has at this time.

Mr. Bisio made a motion to extend the meeting for ten minutes. Ms. Carcone supported the motion.

Voice Vote:           Ayes:           Adams, Bisio, Carcone, Johnson, Shigley, Young  
                              Nays:           Cash

Motion approved.

**j. Proposed Uniform Traffic Code Amendment – Vehicles Displayed for Sale – First Reading**

Mr. Quinn stated that this is an amendment that the Board requested be brought back to them regarding parking or selling of vehicles on streets or properties. He explained what is stated in Section 8.14. He stated that this is a proposed first reading and if the Board wants to propose any changes, please do so. If the first reading is adopted tonight, then it will come back at the May meeting for the second reading and adoption.

Sgt. Jeff Crockett, Oakland County Sheriff, stated that there really wasn't anything in the Ordinances with regard to cars for sale. He stated that the only thing they found was for goods for sale. He stated that there is State Law that indicates 100 feet from the right-of-way, but it only

pertains to State throughways. He stated that Grand River Avenue and Pontiac Trail are not State throughways. He stated that he has spoken with several other Townships, who have all adopted an Ordinance for this.

Sgt. Crockett stated that there are a couple of things he noticed in this that he and Larry Phillips, Building Official, would like to discuss with Mr. Gillam. He explained the things that they are concerned with.

Mr. Young made a motion to adopt this as a first reading with the understanding that Sgt. Crockett will come back with a proposal at the second reading. Mr. Bisio supported the motion.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any comments regarding the motion by the Board.

Mr. Adams stated that they need to be very careful that they are not infringing on a property owners right to use his own property. He felt that the language should be very clear on how they present this.

Mr. Shigley asked if there were any public comments.

Lynn Elkow Moore, 26899 South Hill Road, stated that she hopes the Board really looks at the issues here. She stated that she is a life long resident of Lyon Township. She understands what the Board is trying to do and agrees with it totally, but felt that they need to look at the little guys.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Cash, Johnson, Shigley, Young, Adams, Bisio, Carcone  
Nays: None

Motion approved.

**k. Annual Consulting Agreement with Insight Environmental for Ground Water Sampling Surveys Associated with the Wastewater Treatment Plant**

This issue was carried over to the next meeting due to time constraints.

**l. Resolution Approving Traffic Signal Re-timing (Request by RCOC; arrived 3/31/03)**

This issue was carried over to the next meeting due to time constraints.

**7. Adjournment**

Mr. Cash made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bisio supported the motion.

Voice Vote:	Ayes:	All
	Nays:	None

Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Deby Cothery**

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Recording Secretary

Pamela Johnson  
Clerk