

Charter Township of Lyon  
Board of Trustees  
Special Meeting Minutes  
July 16 2010

Approved: Approved August 2, 2010 as written

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Young at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Patricia Carcone, Treasurer  
Michele Cash, Clerk  
John Dolan, Trustee  
Steven Fletcher  
Brent Hemker, Trustee  
John Hicks  
Lannie Young, Supervisor

Guests: 4

Also Present: Chris Doozan, McKenna Associates  
Matthew Quinn, Township Attorney  
Leslie Zawada, Giffels/Webster

Supervisor Young reported that Hillers Market has officially been settled and the expected opening date is August 2011.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC** - None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Carcone, second by Cash  
To approve the agenda as submitted.**

**Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous  
Nays: None**

**MOTION APPROVED**

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. Cost Participation Agreement Construction of Eight Mile Road to Pontiac Trail**

Tom Noechel from RCOC and Dave Murphy the City of South Lyon Manager was present.

Supervisor Young explained the Tri-Party funding and the breakdown of the cost participation agreement. He explained front footage is used to calculate the cost of participation between Lyon Township and South Lyon. He explained that the Township would need to come up with approximately \$105,000 in the 2011 budget to fund this project. The Township would be spending roughly \$100,000 for a 2 million dollar project.

Mr. Hicks asked why it would cost 2 million for less than a mile. Mr. Nagy explained that it costs 1.5 million a mile to pay a contractor to build it and there are other costs involved both during and after construction. The amount is merely an estimate and it would go to the lowest bidder. Mr. Noechel continued that the bike path is a separate project but Lyon Township would not be responsible for that cost.

Concerns were raised that the Township was never made aware of this project and that the Township never participated in any discussion regarding this project. Some of the Board members felt strongly that this would be the last road that they would want paved, it directs traffic out of the Township and only helps a very small portion of Lyon Township's residents.

Mr. Noechel explained that federal dollars can only be spent on federally eligible routes and this is a county primary road and it would complete the paving of the entire eight mile corridor. The Huron Valley Federal Aid Committee requested a gravel road project from the Road Commission and they suggested Griswold from Eight Mile to Nine Mile but Griswold is not in the Road Commissions 20/30 plan so they would be bending their rules to pay that and it's a local road and typically they don't do that. He stated that Griswold could possibly be paved next year but they have no interest in paving Griswold right now.

Mr. Dolan felt that it may not be the road that they want to pave but any paved road will be a benefit to the Township and he felt for the price they couldn't go wrong, but if the Township can't afford it then it's a problem.

Mr. Quinn questioned how confident is the Road Commission that the right of way costs are in line. Mr. Noechel stated that from an estimate standpoint they are confident. He continued that the right of way will be acquired at the same time for the bike path.

Treasurer Carcone explained that the residents she has heard from are against the bike path. Supervisor Young stated that the Township would not take property for the bike path.

Clerk Cash questioned where the money would come from in the budget. Mr. Noechel stated that the Road Commission can work with the Township on how it's invoiced.

Mr. Hemker felt that the budget should be looked at first before making any decision. Ms. Zawada questioned if this did not go through what happens to the money. Mr. Noechel stated it would be lost; it would go to Huron Valley Federal Aid and be redistributed.

**Motion by Young, second by Dolan  
To enter into the Cost Participation Agreement for the paving of Eight Mile Road**

**from Pontiac Trail to Dixboro per the language in the agreement on the form provided.**

Treasurer Carcone asked if the project would use Michigan workers. Mr. Noechel responded that there is no stipulation but they use local contractors. Treasurer Carcone asked if there would be any consideration given for the Township to look at the budget. Mr. Noechel stated that his biggest concern was the Tri Party dollars, a portion of that is in the agreement and for any Tri Party dollars that are not committed the county could pull their 1/3; he felt that request would fall on deaf ears.

Mr. Hemker questioned who chose this particular road. Mr. Noechel explained that it was chosen for connectivity and it's a federal funded road. He continued that this road was selected because it's in their boundary and in the 20/30 gravel road paving plan and from a corridor standpoint it would finish a paved corridor heading east. Mr. Hemker stated that there are other roads in the township that need it and this particular road would be one of the last roads that would be chosen.

**Roll Call Vote:       Ayes:           Young, Dolan**  
**Nays:           Hemker, Hicks, Fletcher, Cash, Carcone**

**MOTION FAILS**

**B. Act 123 Foreclosed Properties Purchase Consideration**

Treasurer Carcone explained the Tax Sales and what it entails. Supervisor Young reviewed the spreadsheet regarding the foreclosed properties.

After discussion it was the consensus of the Board to follow the recommendation of waiting until after the first tax sale before taking any action.

**Motion by Hemker, second by Fletcher**  
**To do nothing before the first tax sale.**

**Voice Vote:           Ayes: Unanimous**  
**Nays: None**

**MOTION APPROVED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Carcone, second by Cash**  
**To adjourn the regular meeting at 1:18 p.m.**

**Voice Vote:           Ayes:           Unanimous**  
**Nays:           None**

**MOTION APPROVED**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kellie Angelosanto*

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Recording Secretary

Michele Cash  
Clerk