

**REGULAR MEETING
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 16, 2009
7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, November 16, 2009 at 8500 Jefferson Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230.

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Elrod called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Beamish, Reynolds, Marsh, Calhoun, Deland, Raczkowski, and Elrod.

County Commissioner Phil Duckham gave an overview from the County.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

Supervisor Elrod stated the agenda was before us and asked if there were any changes. Supervisor Elrod then requested that item 10e. the Re-appointment of Bruce Andrews to be added to the agenda. A motion by Reynolds to approve the agenda with the above mentioned change, seconded by Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Motion to approve accounts payable by Beamish, seconded by Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Marsh, seconded by Deland to receive and file the report from the Treasurer. Ayes all. Motion carried.

ASSESSORS REPORT: Motion by Beamish, seconded by Reynolds to receive and file the report from the Assessor. Ayes all. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Calhoun, seconded by Deland to receive and file the report from the Fire Department. Ayes all. Motion carried.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Motion by Beamish, seconded by Reynolds to receive and file the report from the Police Department. Ayes all. Motion carried.

AUDIT REPORT: Mark Kettner from the Auditing Firm Rehman Robson gave an unqualified opinion regarding the townships financial position.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Discussion was heard on the following item; Proposed Rules of Order were reviewed by the Board. The Supervisor spoke of the situation on Golfview and the report by Steve McLear.

ACTION ITEMS: Motion by Beamish to approve the \$13,968.20 request by Leoni Township for pump parts, seconded by Calhoun. Motion passed. Motion by Beamish to approve the Fund Balance policy, seconded by Reynolds. Motion Passed. Motion by Calhoun to approve resolution 2009-007 to apply the streetlight special assessments billing and delinquent sewer usage for 2009 to the 2009 Winter Tax bills, seconded by Beamish. On a roll call vote: Raczkowski, Deland, Calhoun, Marsh, Reynolds, Beamish and Elrod. Resolution passed. Agenda item 10d was tabled on a motion by Raczkowski, seconded by Calhoun. Ayes all. Motion carried. Motion by Beamish to re appoint Bruce Andrews to the ZBA, seconded by Marsh. Ayes all. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Holly Cogan asked if the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Committee recommended amendment was going to be discussed. Supervisor Elrod stated that it would be on the December agenda.

FINAL BOARD COMMENT: Trustee Beamish requested that the wage adjustment be on the December agenda. Trustee Raczkowski asked for a moment of silence for the Fort Hood Massacre. A moment of silence was observed.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Marsh, seconded by Reynolds. Meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Marsh, Clerk
Columbia Township