

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
MINUTES OF THE MARCH 29, 2010 SPECIAL MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Brenda L. Stumbo at approximately 8:30 a.m. in the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center Board Room, 7200 S. Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti Township.

Members Present: Supervisor Brenda L. Stumbo, Clerk Karen Lovejoy Roe, Treasurer Larry Doe, Trustees Jean Hall Currie, Stan Eldridge, Mike Martin and Dee Sizemore

Members Absent: None

Legal Counsel: Wm. Douglas Winters

1. MINUTES OF THE MARCH 16, 2010 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING

A motion was made by Treasurer Doe, supported by Trustee Sizemore to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2010 Work Session and Regular Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 2010-04, LAKESIDE PARK GRANT

A motion was made by Clerk Lovejoy Roe, supported by Treasurer Doe to approve Resolution No. 2010-04, Lakeside Park Grant (see attached). The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Martin wanted to make sure if Ypsilanti Township was awarded the grant, there would be no cost to the Township.

Art Serafinski, Recreation Director said the project had been scaled down by adding additional in-kind services. He stated the Township had no financial commitment and the lease agreement with EMU would make that clear.

Clerk Lovejoy Roe stated Kirk Profit was very optimistic and he suggested the Township thank Lana Pollack for her help with the grant application. She said Mr. Profit also planned to meet with Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Serafinski said Mr. Profit had been instrumental in dealing with individuals in Lansing. He felt the Township also had the inside track with the DNR due to his own twenty-year relationship with the staff. Mr. Serafinski stated with Mr. Profit's efforts, the Township's internal efforts and the collaboration with EMU and the

Saline Rowing Club, the Township's chances were very good. He stressed this was the best collaboration he'd seen since he began working for Ypsilanti Township.

3. NUISANCE ABATEMENT

a. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE LEGAL ACTION IF NECESSARY, IN WASHTENAW COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT TO ABATE PUBLIC NUISANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 138, 138 ½ AND 140 S. HARRIS

b. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE LEGAL ACTION, IF NECESSARY, IN WASHTENAW COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT TO ABATE

**PUBLIC NUISANCE CREATED BY THE ZONING VIOLATION FOR THE
PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1095 E. MICHIGAN AVENUE**

- c. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE LEGAL ACTION, IF
NECESSARY, IN WASHTENAW COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT TO ABATE
PUBLIC NUISANCES FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1370 E.
MICHIGAN AVENUE**

A motion was made by Clerk Lovejoy Roe, supported by Trustee Eldridge to authorize legal action if necessary, in Washtenaw County Circuit Court to abate public nuisance for the properties located at 138, 138 ½ and 140 S. Harris, 1095 E. Michigan Avenue and 1370 E. Michigan Avenue. The motion carried unanimously.

- 4. REQUEST TO PRINT AND MAIL POSTCARD TO TOWNSHIP
RESIDENTS REGARDING CHANGES IN BRUSH AND RECYCLING
SERVICES, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$4,500, TO BE CHARGED TO
LINE ITEM #226-226-000-900-000**

A motion was made by Clerk Lovejoy Roe, supported by Trustee Sizemore to approve printing and mailing of postcards to Township residents regarding changes in brush and recycling services, at a cost not to exceed \$4,500, budgeted in line item #226-226-000-900-000. The motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Stumbo stated due to a mistake by the printing company with a mailing in January, this mailing would be significantly less than \$4,500. She said the postcard was a reminder of the changes in the brush collection and recycling.

- 5. 2010 RATES FOR GREEN OAKS GOLF COURSE**

A motion was made by Trustee Currie, supported by Treasurer Doe to approve 2010 Green Oaks Golf Course rates. The motion carried unanimously.

- 6. PROCLAMATION IN HONOR OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS
MONTH**

A motion was made by Treasurer Doe, supported by Clerk Lovejoy Roe to approve proclamation in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The motion carried unanimously.

(Attorney Winters arrived at 8:42 a.m.)

Attorney Winters suggested displaying public nuisance photos on the Board Room monitors so the public could see firsthand the condition of these properties. He provided a brief overview of his conversation with the owner of the nuisance abatement property on S. Harris Road. Attorney Winters thanked the Board for their continued commitment to addressing these issues.

Clerk Lovejoy Roe stated Velvet Touch on E. Michigan Avenue was closed as of Sunday, March 28, 2010.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-04

LAKESIDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Ypsilanti Board of Trustees desires to enhance the recreational opportunities at Lakeside Park with the development of a community boathouse, classroom/picnic shelter, pathways internal to the park, pathway connection to the County Border-to-Border Trail, universally accessible community docks with fishing railings, scenic overlooks and naturalized storm water treatment system, and

WHEREAS, the Lakeside Park Improvements contribute to goals and objectives identified in the 2009-2014 Ypsilanti Township Parks and Recreation Master Plan including “seek partnerships, as appropriate, to provide joint facilities and services whenever possible to reduce costs and improve the overall quality of operation”, “enhancing the current Park system with improved access, safety and mobility”, “provide better and more suitable access to Ford Lake and the Huron River” and “institute a comprehensive wayfinding and interpretive signage program”, and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources and the Environment is accepting applications for funding assistance through the Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund for park development projects contributing to goals and objectives identified in the municipality’s approved parks and recreation master plan, and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Ypsilanti Park Commission supports the Lakeside Park Improvements project and recommends in Resolution 2010-1 the Charter Township of Ypsilanti Board of Trustees resolve to sponsor a Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund application titled Lakeside Park Improvements, commit to undertaking the project if funded, commit local match funds in cooperation with other project partners as needed, and authorize Arthur Serafinski, Recreation Director to serve as the Township’s representative for this project, and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Ypsilanti will commit to undertaking the project if funded, commit cooperation with other project partners as needed for successful development and operation of the project, and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Ypsilanti will commit up to 63% local match toward these improvements including \$497,500 in donated cash, materials, and labor from Eastern Michigan University; \$50,000 cash donation from Saline Area Schools Rowing Club; and, \$250,000 cash donation as requested from Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter Township of Ypsilanti Board of Trustees, acting as duly elected representatives of the Citizens of the Township, does hereby authorize Arthur Serafinski, Recreation Director to serve as the Township’s representative for this project and does hereby request Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund Board approval of the grant application titled “Lakeside Park Improvements” in the amount of \$500,000.

I, Karen Lovejoy Roe, Clerk of the Charter Township of Ypsilanti, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan hereby certify the above resolution is a true and exact copy of Resolution No. 2010-04 approved by the Charter Township of Ypsilanti, Board of Trustees assembled at a Special Meeting held on March 29, 2010.



Karen Lovejoy Roe, Clerk
Charter Township of Ypsilanti