

**BLUE LAKE TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 14, 2012**

OPENED AT 7:30 PM.

PRESENT: FRED E. ARBOGAST SR., MELONIE ARBOGAST, SCOTT HAAN,
LYLE MONETTE DON STUDAVERN

MELONIE MOVED, LYLE SUPPORTED TO APPROVE THE APRIL 9, 2012
MEETING MINUTES AS CORRECTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

MELONIE MOVED, LYLE SUPPORTED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA REPORTS
AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MELONIE MOVED, SCOTT SUPPORTED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE
PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION OF BARB GROVE FOR THE
RECREATION COMMITTEE. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

MELONIE MOVED, SCOTT SUPPORTED A MOTION TO REPEAL SECTION 1-10,
MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION, IN CURRENT FIRE DEPARTMENT
SOG ADOPTED JANUARY 12, 2004 INCLUDING THE INTRODUCTORY
SECTION. ROLL CALL VOTE: 3 YES, 2 NO (FRED, LYLE)

MELONIE MOVED, SCOTT SUPPORTED A MOTION TO ADOPT DOCUMENT
#SOG51412, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT SOG PAGES 1-129. ROLL CALL VOTE: 3
YES, 2 NO (FRED, LYLE)

MELONIE MOVED, LYLE SUPPORTED A MOTION TO TABLE THE
ORDINANCE #15, ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS, SITUATION
UNTIL THE BOARD RESOLVES THE CURRENT CODE ADOPTION PROCESS.
ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

SCOTT MOVED, MELONIE SUPPORTED A MOTION TO TABLE THE
INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE UNTIL NEXT MONTH (JUNE). ROLL CALL VOTE:
5 YES.

NEW BUSINESS

KEN HULKA, MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION, WAS PRESENT TO
ANSWER QUESTIONS REGARDING ROAD ENDS AND DOCKS. TIM HENRY
REQUESTED THAT THE BOARD WORK WITH KEN TO OBTAIN PERMITS FOR
ROAD ENDS & DOCKS.

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SCOTT MOVED, DON SUPPORTED A MOTION TO SET UP A WORK SESSION ON TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012 AT 7:00 PM TO DISCUSS ROAD END AND DOCK PERMITS. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

LYLE MOVED, MELONIE SUPPORTED A MOTION TO PURCHASE A MOWER LIFT FROM FAMILY FARM & HOME AT A COST OF \$149.99. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

FRED MOVED, LYLE SUPPORTED A MOTION TO INCORPORATE A DISCUSSION ON RECEIVING BIDS TO REMOVE FIRE WOOD AND BRUSH FROM WARE CEMETERY TO THE MAY 22, 2012 WORK SESSION ALREADY PLANNED. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

CHRIS HALL HAS REQUESTED THAT THE SITUATION OF THE BURNED HOUSE AT 2786 E. HOLTON-WHITEHALL ROAD BE FORWARDED TO THE ATTORNEY SINCE THE HOMEOWNER HAS IGNORED CALLS & LETTERS FROM THE TOWNSHIP. CLEAN UP HAS BEGUN ON THE HOUSE AND MELONIE WILL CHECK THE PROPERTY BEFORE INFORMING THE ATTORNEY.

FRED MOVED, SCOTT SUPPORTED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SPECIAL OFFER FROM SAGE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS TO UPGRADE THE ACCOUNTING PROGRAM AT A COST OF \$839.00. THE CLERK IS AUTHORIZED TO FINALIZE THE PURCHASE ON MAY 15, 2012. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

LYLE MOVED, FRED SUPPORTED A MOTION TO SUPPORT THE EFFORT OF THE SOLID WASTE BOARD TO SAVE THE WHITE LAKE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

DON MOVED, SCOTT SUPPORTED A MOTION FOR DON TO SOLICIT BIDS THROUGH LETTERS AND NEWSPAPER ADS FOR AN AUDITOR FOR THE FY2012 AUDIT. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

FIRE CHIEF LARRY RADTKE REPORTED THAT 10 PEOPLE GAVE 28 HOURS OF VOLUNTEER WORK FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL.

CHIEF RADTKE REPORTED THAT THE NEW RADIOS ARE IN AND BEING PROGRAMMED. THEY WILL BE HANDED OUT ON MAY 29, 2012.

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CHIEF RADTKE REPORTED THAT JIM DURHAM DONATED \$500.00 WORTH OF EQUIPMENT TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EXPRESSED HIS THANKS.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

NORM SWIER ASKED IF THE TOWNSHIP IS GOING TO HELP THE CITIZENS OF BLUE LAKE TOWNSHIP TO RECEIVE ANY BENEFITS FROM THE FIBER OPTIC CABLE BEING LAID BY MERIT COMPANY. FRED SAID HE IS WORKING WITH DIFFERENT COMPANIES REGARDING THE CABLE BUT THERE IS NO TIMETABLE YET. FRED WILL KEEP THE TOWNSHIP INFORMED OF THE PROCESS.

NORM SWIER REQUESTED AN UPDATE ON THE RECREATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS SITUATION. MELONIE SAID IT IS PROGRESSING. WALTER UDELL ASKED TO BE INCLUDED ON THE LIST OF PROSPECTIVE RECREATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

DALE WEISNER TOLD THE BOARD THAT THEY MIGHT NOT RECOUP EXPENSES PAID INTO ABANDONED PROPERTIES.

VICKI LONGNECKER REPORTED THAT SOMEONE IS SETTING FIRES AT THE BOAT LAUNCH.

BOARD COMMENTS

MELONIE MOVED, SCOTT SUPPORTED A MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT FOR ANY PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS, ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBERS AND THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR TO ATTEND THE MTA WORKSHOP OFFERED ON JUNE 5, 2012 AT A COST OF \$125.00 PER MEMBER. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

FRED STATED THE MARCH 31 2012 FINANCIALS ARE AVAILABLE.

BILLS & ACCOUNTS

SCOTT MOVED, LYLE SUPPORTED TO APPROVE THE SECOND QUARTER APRIL 2012 ACH WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,955.33. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

SCOTT MOVED, LYLE SUPPORTED TO APPROVE THE APRIL 10-30, 2012 BILLS PAID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,431.06. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

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SCOTT MOVED, LYLE SUPPORTED TO APPROVE THE MAY 2012 BILLS PAID
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,929.67. ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 YES.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:30 PM.

FRED E ARBOGAST, SR.
CLERK