

**MINUTES SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP  
PUBLIC HEARING AND  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 10, 2016**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON LITTLE CROOKED LAKE WEED CONTROL**

The Public Hearing on the Little Crooked Lake Weed Control Special Assessment District was called to order by Supervisor Bill Saunders at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10, 2016.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Bill Saunders, Clerk Barbara Runyon, Treasurer Maureen Kuriata, and Trustee Mike Glynn.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Joel Moore.

OTHERS PRESENT: Assessor Bill Kays and Mike Spain

Supervisor Saunders stated the purpose of the meeting was to hear public comments on the creation of a special assessment district, the plans for treating the special assessment district, and the estimated costs for weed control for riparian owners and others who have riparian rights on Little Crooked Lake in Silver Creek Township.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Supervisor Saunders then opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment and Crooked Lakes Association President, Michael Spain was the only member of the public present and did not address the board. Supervisor Saunders then closed the floor to public comment.

Clerk Runyon advised that she had mailed a notice of this hearing to all riparian owners on Little Crooked Lake in Silver Creek Township and published it twice in the Dowagiac Daily News.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Supervisor closed the public hearing at 6:32 p.m.

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

The Supervisor called the regular meeting of the Silver Creek Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Treasurer Kuriata.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Bill Saunders, Clerk Barbara Runyon, Treasurer Maureen Kuriata, Trustee Joel Moore and Trustee Mike Glynn.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney John Magyar

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Clerk Runyon moved, seconded by Treasurer Kuriata, to approve the August 10, 2016 Silver Creek Township Agenda with the deletion of the Auditors Presentation and the Motion to Approve the 2015/16 Audit and with the addition of a Motion to Approve Purchase of a Speed Control Sign. Clerk Runyon advised that the auditor will be doing his presentation at the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Treasurer Kuriata moved, seconded by Trustee Glynn, to approve the July 13, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS**

Treasurer Kuriata reported the bills and claims for August 10, 2016. Trustee Glynn moved, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, to approve the following bills and claims in the total amount of \$74,482.98, as follows:

FROM THE GENERAL FUND	\$ 46,768.61
FROM THE INDIAN LAKE SEWER FUND	\$ 12,185.56
FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUND	\$ 4,836.65
FROM THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 4,869.30
FROM THE INDIAN LAKE WEED CONTROL FUND	\$ 5,077.36
FROM THE PARKS AND RECS FUND	\$ 745.50
 GRAND TOTAL OF DISBURSEMENTS:	 \$ 74,482.98

A roll call vote was taken by the Clerk:

Yes (5): Supervisor Saunders, Clerk Runyon, Treasurer Kuriata, Trustee Glynn and Trustee Moore.

No (0): None.

Absent (0): None.

Motion carried by roll call vote.

**READING OF COMMUNICATION**

No communication received.

## **POLICE REPORT**

35 complaints; 24 warnings, 20 tickets, 1 accident policed, 2 arrests handled, 1 assist other agencies, 4 assist other police agencies, 2 assist fire and ambulance, 2 assist motorists and pedestrians.

## **HEALTH & SERVICE REPORTS**

**Indian Lake Fire Department:** 9 calls for the month 7 in Silver Creek Township.

**Sister Lakes Fire Department:** 9 calls for the month 3 in Silver Creek Township, average response time of 7.5 minutes.

**Pride Care Ambulance Report:** July 6 12 priority one calls with an average response time of 8:32 minutes. There were extended response times for two runs due to the distance. The crews took the correct routes and did not report any further incident.

## **TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Magyar reported that he has a proposed order on the Fitz property located on M-152. The also Court approved a Judgment against the M-51 North property owned by JP Morgan Chase; if the property is not cleaned up by the 8<sup>th</sup>, the township has the authority to clean it up and charge the costs to JP Morgan Chase. Discussion followed.

He also reported that he has prepared a draft Recoupment Ordinance for the board to review and discuss at their September meeting.

## **BUILDING/ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

Nine building permits were issued for a total projected cost of \$92,035.00, and four zoning permits.

## **BLIGHT AND LIQUOR INSPECTION REPORT**

21 open blight complaint; 6 new blight complaints filed; 6 blight residents notified; 19 blight issues resolved. Total time spent on blight 22.5 hours. Five liquor inspections.

## **APPEALS BOARD REPORT**

Jerry Donley reported there was one ZBA hearing last week and it was approved. Another is scheduled for August 17<sup>th</sup>.

Attorney Magyar noted that the building department has received another ZBA request, and that he has additional questions for Building/Zoning Administrator Todd Herter on sections before going forward. Mr. Herter advised that he has reviewed it, and there are two sections to be added before noticing it for a hearing. Discussion followed.

## PLANNING/ZONING COMMISSION REPORT

Bill Zuhl reported on the planning commission meeting held July 27<sup>th</sup> where they conducted a public hearing regarding eliminating Section 6.04 C&D. Tom from Stephenson Surveying was also there to discuss high watermarks. The commission decided not to meet in August and will meet next on September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

## STANDING INSPECTORS REPORT

**Electrical Inspector:** 5 permits  
**Plumbing Inspector:** 5 permits  
**Mechanical Inspector:** 2 permits

## CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Runyon gave an update on the General Fund, Public Safety Fund, Building Department Fund and Indian Lake Sewer Fund Budgets and provided a P&L Statement to for each fund. She reported that everything looks good, with a possible shortfall in the Planning Commission Legal line item. Building Department revenues are down so far this year; and public safety fund looks good. There were no questions.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Kuriata reported \$398,587.47 as the General fund balance and \$247,796.38 as the Indian Lake Sewer fund balance.

## OPERATIONAL REPORTS

**Indian Lake Sewer:** Treasurer Kuriata reported that the manhole cover repairs have been completed. They found one buried manhole cover on Tice Beach and there is another one they are still searching for.

**Sister Lakes Sewer:** Treasurer Kuriata reported that the sewer extension from CR690 is complete.

**Parks and Recreation Committee:** Trustee Moore reported that the next Russom Park Meeting is October 18, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall. There were repairs made on the playground equipment at Russom Park.

Trustee Glynn noted that the committee discussed the need for resealing and stripping the parking lots and walking path. The City indicated that they do not have money appropriated for repairs. Trustee Glynn believes Silver Creek Township should maintain their portion. Trustee Moore advised that he has received two bids on this already and it will be placed on the September agenda for consideration.

**Public Safety Committee:** Trustee Moore reported the Public Safety Committee will meet on October 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the township hall.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**MOTION TO HIRE ATTORNEY MAGYAR**

Treasurer Kuriata moved, seconded by Clerk Runyon, to hire Attorney John Magyar to represent Silver Creek Township at Tax Tribunal for an appeal filed by the Indian Lake Association. Discussion followed. Motion carried by voice vote.

**MOTION TO APPROVE NEW AGREEMENT FOR DEWEY LAKE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT**

Trustee Glynn moved, seconded by Treasurer Kuriata, for Approval of the new Agreement for Dewey Lake Special Assessment District for Aquatic Weed Control and to authorize Supervisor Saunders to sign. Motion carried by voice vote.

**MOTION RE. PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL INSPECTOR**

Trustee Moore moved, seconded by Treasurer Kuriata, to accept Ed Wainwright's resignation as Silver Creek Township Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector and to replace him with Bill Spromberg. Discussion followed. Treasurer Kuriata advised that Bill Spromberg will be working for John Dobbersteen who had previously worked for the State of Michigan and now operates his own business. Further discussion followed. Todd Herter asked that he receive information on Mr. Dobbersteen to give to residents. Further discussion followed.

**MOTION TO AMEND**

Clerk Runyon moved, seconded by Treasurer Kuriata, to amend the motion as follows: Motion to accept Ed Wainwright's resignation as Silver Creek Township Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector and to replace him with John Dobbersteen, Dobbersteen Inspections, Inc. Motion to amend carried by voice vote.

**MOTION RE. PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL INSPECTOR**

Clerk Runyon moved, seconded by Treasurer Kuriata, to accept Ed Wainwright's resignation as Silver Creek Township Plumbing and Mechanical Inspector and to replace him with John Dobbersteen, Dobbersteen Inspections, Inc. Motion carried by voice vote.

**RESOLUTION R16-14 LITTLE CROOKED LAKE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

Supervisor Saunders moved, seconded by Clerk Runyon, to approve R16-14 as follows:

**RESOLUTION R16-14**  
**SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP, CASS COUNTY**  
**LITTLE CROOKED LAKE WEED CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

Whereas, the Crooked Lakes Association requested a five year Little Crooked Lake Weed Control Special Assessment District effective 2016 for the 2017 program year, and accordingly, the township board determined to proceed under the provisions of PA 188 of 1954, as amended, to secure plans and

estimates of cost together with a proposed special assessment district for assessing the cost of the proposed weed control assessment and to schedule a public hearing upon the same for this date, and

WHEREAS, the plans, estimates of cost and proposed special assessment district were filed with the township clerk for public examination and notice of the within hearing upon the same was published and mailed in accordance with the law and statute provided as shown by affidavits pertaining thereto on file with the township clerk, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the aforesaid notices, a hearing was scheduled this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016 commencing at 6:30 oæclock p.m. and all persons given the opportunity to be heard in the matter, and

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing, the township board believes the project to be in the best interest of the township and of the district proposed to be established, therefore;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That this township board does hereby approve the plans from the Crooked Lake Improvement Association for aquatic invasive species treatment on Little Crooked Lake, Silver Creek Township, at a cost as follows:

LITTLE CROOKED LAKE SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP FIVE YEAR PLAN WEED CONTROL		
Tax Year	Program Year	Cost
2016	2017	8,048.97
2017	2018	2,712.06
2018	2019	2,712.06
2019	2020	2,712.06
2020	2021	2,712.06

Estimated Cost for weed treatments 2017 through 2021: \$18,897.21

2. That the township board does hereby create, determine and define as a special district to be known as Little Crooked Lake Weed Control Special Assessment District within which the costs of such improvements shall be assessed according to benefits, the following described area within said township:

Riparian owners and others who may have riparian rights on Little Crooked Lake in Silver Creek Township, Cass County, Michigan.

3. That on the basis of the foregoing, this township board does hereby direct the assessing officer to make a special assessment roll in which shall be entered and described all the parcels of land to be assessed with the names of the respective owners thereof, if known, and a total amount to be assessed against each parcel of land which amount shall be the relative portion of the whole sum to be levied against the parcels of land in the special assessment district as the benefit to the parcel of land bears to the total benefit to all the parcels of land in the special assessment district. When the same has been completed, the supervisor or assessing officer shall affix thereto his certificate stating that it was made pursuant to

this resolution and that in making such assessment roll, he, according to his best judgment, confirmed in all respects to the direction contained in this resolution and the applicable state statutes.

4. That all resolutions and parts of resolution insofar as they conflict with the provisions of the within resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

A roll call vote was taken by the Clerk:

Yes (5): Supervisor Saunders, Clerk Runyon, Treasurer Kuriata, Trustee Glynn and Trustee Moore.

No (0): None.

Absent (0): None.

Motion carried by roll call vote.

## **RESOLUTION R16-15 RE. LITTLE CROOKED LAKE ASSESSMENT ROLL**

Clerk Runyon moved, seconded by Treasurer Kuriata, to approve Resolution R16-15 as follows:

### **RESOLUTION R16-15 SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP, CASS COUNTY SCHEDULING HEARING ON ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR LITTLE CROOKED LAKE WEED CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the assessing officer of the township has, in accordance with Resolution R16-14 of the township board and the laws and statutes pertinent thereto, been directed to prepare a special assessment roll for a total levy of \$18,897.21 over a five-year period, covering all the parcels of land in the Little Crooked Lake Weed Control Special Assessment District, according to the relation of the benefit to each parcel of land to the total benefit to all parcels of land in such special assessment district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED as follows:

1. That said special assessment roll shall be filed with the township clerk and shall be available for public examination during regular working hours of regular working days until the public hearing upon the same and shall further be examined at such public hearing.
2. That the township board shall meet at a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2016**, prior to their regular board meeting, at the township hall located at 32764 Dixon Street, Dowagiac, Michigan, to review such special assessment roll and hear any objections thereto.
3. That the township clerk shall cause notice of such hearing and filing of such assessment roll to be published twice in the Dowagiac Daily News, a newspaper of general circulation in the township prior to the date of the hearing with the first publication being not less than 10 days prior to the hearing and shall further cause notice of such hearing to be mailed by first-class mail to all owners of or persons interested in the property within the Little Crooked Lake Weed Control Special Assessment District as

shown on the current assessment roll of the township also at least ten (10) days prior to said hearing, all in accordance with law and statute provided.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of the within resolution are hereby rescinded.

A roll call vote was taken by the Clerk:

Yes (5): Clerk Runyon, Treasurer Kuriata, Trustee Glynn, Trustee Moore and Supervisor Saunders

No (0): None.

Absent (0): None.

Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 16-02 RE. PRIVATE ROADS/STREETS**

Trustee Glynn moved, seconded by Clerk Runyon, to Adopt Zoning Ordinance 16-02, which amends Zoning Ordinance 04-07, Section 3.23 Private Easement/Private Roads as follows:

ORDINANCE 16-02  
AMENDMENT TO  
3.23 PRIVATE EASEMENT/PRIVATE ROAD  
SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP  
CASS COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
ZONING ORDINANCE  
Ordinance #04-07

The Township of Silver Creek Ordains to Amend Ordinance 04-07 and as amended in 2015, Silver Creek Township Zoning Ordinance, as follows:

Section 3.23 **Private Roads/Streets** is replaced in its entirety with the following:

The Township has hereby determined that as large tracts of land are divided, sold, transferred, and developed; private access roads are being created to provide access to the newly divided properties which are not subject to regulation under the Michigan Subdivision Control Act of 1967 and other State regulations. The Township determines it is in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare to regulate the construction, improvement, Extension, relocation, and use of private roads to assure:

That private roads are designed with width, surface, and grade to assure safe passage and maneuverability of private vehicles, police, fire, ambulance, and other safety vehicles.

That private roads are constructed of suitable materials to ensure minimal maintenance and safe passage.



That private roads will be constructed so as to protect against or minimize soil erosion and prevent damage to the lakes, streams, wetlands, and natural environment of the Township.

**Definitions – as used in this section**

Private Road Easement: is a private road that provides access solely to four (4) parcels of land and does not require the private road to be constructed.

Private Road: is a road under private ownership which has been constructed upon a private road easement for the purpose of providing access to five (5) or more parcels of land.

A. A Private Road Easement which only provides access to a maximum of four single family lots or dwelling units may have a minimum width of 40 ft. The center of the traveled portion of the road shall be located in the center of the easement.

B. **General Requirements to Private Road Easement/Private Road**

1. A private road shall not be constructed, except in accordance with the standards and requirements of this Ordinance and must meet Cass County Road Commission specifications.

2. If an existing private road is proposed to be extended then the existing portion shall be improved, along with the new portion, to meet the standards and requirements of this Ordinance and must meet Cass County Road Commission specifications.

3. Private roads are permitted in all zoning districts.

4. Private road easements/private road shall not interconnect with the public street network in a manner that will preclude the extension of public streets if necessary to further the logical, orderly and efficient development of the overall public street network.

5. Private roads that may be exempt from this section are those private roads that would be subject to site plan review per this Ordinance, such as but not limited to: Planned Unit Development, Manufactured Housing Park, Shopping Centers.

C. **Minimum Standards for Private Road**

1. A private road shall be located within a private road easement. Such easement shall not be less than sixty-six (66) feet in width.

a. The center of the traveled portion of the road shall be located in the center of the private road easement.

2. At the dead end of such easement, the easement shall widen such that there is space adequate to provide for a turnaround to accommodate emergency and maintenance equipment.

3. A parcel shall have frontage on the private road easement which is at least equal to the minimum parcel width required for the zoning district in which the parcel is located.

4. A private road easement/private road shall intersect and connect to a public road. A private road easement/private road shall not be approved which accesses a public road by another private road easement/private road.
5. A private road shall be constructed or extended when a private road easement serves five (5) or more parcels.
6. A private road shall be given a street name that is not the same or similar to any other street name in the county, to be verified by Cass County Road Commission. A street sign meeting Cass County Road Commission standards shall be erected and maintained by the applicant where such private road intersects any public road.
7. A dwelling unit on a private road shall display a house number, minimum of three (3) inches in height, in a manner so that the number is at all times readily visible from the private road.
8. In determining the location of a private road easement, consideration shall be given to safety of traffic entering and exiting the private road easement in relationship to the public road.

**D. Road Maintenance Agreement**

The owner(s) and any other parties with legal interest in the proposed private road shall provide to the Township, a road maintenance agreement, access easement agreement, list of parcel numbers, and deed restrictions, all must be recorded with Cass County, which shall provide for the perpetual private maintenance of such roads and/or easements to a necessary and reasonable standard to serve the parties having an interest in the private road. These documents shall, at a minimum, contain the following provisions:

1. A method of initiating and financing of such road in order to keep the road in a reasonably good and usable condition that will not constitute a danger to the health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the Township and are readily accessible to and usable by emergency vehicles in all types of weather.
2. A workable method of apportioning the costs of maintenance and improvements, including the potential of future paving.
3. A notice that no public funds of the Township of Silver Creek are to be used to build, or maintain the private road. All costs shall be the responsibility of the property owners.
4. Easements to the public for purposed use of utilities, emergency and other public vehicles for whatever public services are necessary.
5. A provision that the owners of any and all of the property using the road shall refrain from prohibiting, restricting, limiting or in any manner interfering with normal ingress and egress and use by any of the owners. Normal ingress and egress and use shall include use by family, guests, invitees, tradesmen, and others bound to or returning from any of the parcels having a right to use the road.

6. That any structures or parcels thereafter created or constructed on the private road shall also be subject to the road maintenance and that said agreement shall run with the land.

**E. Procedure for Private Road**

An application to establish or extend a private road shall be filed with the Township along with a fee as set by the Township Board. The application shall contain or be accompanied by the following information:

1. The name(s) of the owners and any other parties having any legal interest in the private road and the parcels across which it is to be constructed.
2. Parcel numbers of the parcels over which the private road is to be constructed.
3. A scaled drawing showing the location, grade, elevation, route, dimensions, specifications and design of the private road and any proposed extensions of the road, existing or proposed curb cuts and the location and distance to any public street which the private road is to intersect.
4. A scaled drawing illustrating the proposed lot division.
5. An approved driveway permit from the Cass County Road Commission.
6. A statement from the Cass County Road Commission indicating there is no known duplication of the proposed private road name.
7. The permit application, drawings and other required information shall be reviewed by the Zoning Administrator for completion and then go before the Planning Commission for a decision.

**F. Final Compliance Requirements**

1. Upon completion of the private road, the following shall be on file with the Township: a) a letter from the Cass County Road Commission that the road has been constructed in compliance with Cass County Road Commission specification, and b) documentation that the road maintenance agreement, access easement and deed restrictions have been recorded with the Cass County Register of Deeds office, and c) a driveway permit for the private road from the Cass County Road Commission or the State of Michigan Highway Department, whichever applies, and d) verification letter from the Cass County Road Commission that the new street name is not the same or similar to any other street name in the county, and e) Planning Commission minutes and/or signatures verifying approval.
2. Upon verification of all items required for final compliance, the Township Supervisor shall issue a letter of final approval.

**G. Permits for Dwellings on Private Road**

1. A building permit shall not be issued for any principal dwelling which derives its primary access from a private road unless a letter of final approval of the private road has been issued.

## **H. Township Liability**

The owner(s) of the private road agree by applying for and securing approval to construct the private road that they shall indemnify and save and hold the Township harmless from all claims for personal injury and/or property damage arising out of the failure to properly construct, maintain, repair and replace the private road. Such wording shall appear on the application for approval and be signed by the applicant.

Discussion followed. Supervisor Saunders questioned why the Township Planning Commission suggested 40 feet and can never be made into a county road. Attorney Magyar stated it's in areas where there's up to four parcels. Trustee Glynn noted that they were establishing a private road easement that served solely four parcels, anything over would have to come up to 60 feet and comply with Cass County's specification for roads. Supervisor Saunders questioned if four developed behind them, would it have to be a 60 foot easement. Trustee Glynn responded yes. Discussion followed.

Trustee Glynn questioned Bill Zuhl as to what the county planning commission said. Mr. Zuhl said they had the same questions as Mr. Saunders, and had the same concerns. They believe we could be making more problems for ourselves in the future. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Saunders read the motion that was made by the Cass County Planning Commission regarding this, suggesting that they remove all private road easement stipulations and references. Further discussion followed.

It was recommended that the board return it the Township Planning Commission for further review, and How to accomplish this since Ordinance 16-02 had already been moved and supported.

Supervisor Saunders directed the Clerk to take roll on Ordinance 16-02:

Yes (0): None.

No (5): Treasurer Kuriata, Trustee Glynn, Trustee Moore, Supervisor Saunders and Clerk Runyon.

Absent (0): None.

Ordinance 16-02 failed.

## **MOTION TO RETURN ORDINANCE RE. 3.23 PRIVATE ROADS/STREET SECTIONS TO TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**

Trustee Glynn moved, seconded by Trustee Moore, to return Zoning Ordinance Section 3.23 regarding Private Easement/Private Roads to the township planning commission to consider the Cass County Planning Commission's recommendation. Motion carried by voice vote.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Clerk Runyon reported that she had received a letter from the life insurance company indicating a substantial increase in premium. Our agent is getting quotes with other companies. She reported CERT Basic Training is being offered at the Edwardsburg Fire Department September 8, 10 and 17<sup>th</sup>. Lastly, Silver Creek Township had a voter turnout of 579 at the Primary Election held August 2<sup>nd</sup>. There were six new election workers who did an outstanding job.

Treasurer Kuriata requested that the township look into getting ceiling fans for the offices. She indicated that offices were wired for fans when the new building was built 10 years ago.

Trustee Glynn offered to get prices and to install the fans.

Supervisor Saunders reported that he received an estimate for a new speed control sign from All Traffic Solutions in the amount of \$5,515.00. Initially they were going to take the old speed control sign in on trade and give a \$2,000 credit. They have agreed that we can keep the old sign but will keep the price at \$5,515.00. Officer Wray described the new speed sign and what it could do.

Clerk Runyon explained that the police department had allocated \$3,000 in the budget for a new sign, with the understanding that it would be shared with Keeler Township and they would pay half the cost. Keeler Township board will not approve the new sign, but there is contingency money in the Public Safety Fund in Silver Creek Township to solely fund this. Discussion followed. Supervisor Saunders noted that Keeler Township may want to purchase half of the sign sometime in the future.

**MOTION TO PURCHASE SPEED SIGN**

Supervisor Saunders moved, seconded by Trustee Moore, to purchase a speed recorder sign from All Traffic Solutions in the amount of \$5,515.00 out of the Public Safety Fund.

A roll call vote was taken by the Clerk:

Yes (4): Treasurer Kuriata, Trustee Moore and Supervisor Saunders, Clerk Runyon

No (1): Trustee Glynn.

Absent (0): None.

Motion carried by roll call vote.

**MOTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS**

Treasurer Kuriata moved, seconded by Clerk Runyon, to transfer \$2,515.00 from Public Safety Contingency Fund into the Police Department-Speed Recorder Fund to pay for the speed recorder sign.

A roll call vote was taken by the Clerk:

Yes (4): Trustee Moore, Supervisor Saunders, Clerk Runyon and Treasurer Kuriata.

No (1): Trustee Glynn.

Absent (0): None.

Motion carried by roll call vote.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bill Zuhl questioned whether Terry Harris, Planning Commission Chairman, would be contacted to schedule a August meeting on Ordinance 3.23 Private Easement/Private Roads which was just remanded back to the planning commission.

Discussion followed. Clerk Runyon will notify Terry via e-mail and will include all planning commission members and Attorney Magyar and they can decide amongst themselves on scheduling.

Jerry Donley extended an invitation to the board to attend the Indian Lake Improvement Association meeting at the Indian Lake Fire Department on Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. They will be presenting a plaque to two individuals who donated 11 acres at the north end of Indian Lake on School Street, and also giving a presentation on what's going on at Indian Lake. Mr. Donley also asked that the presentation be placed on the September 14<sup>th</sup> Township Agenda.

Trustee Moore questioned how many registered voters there are in Silver Creek Township. Clerk Runyon responded approximately 2,500. She expects a large voter turnout in November.

Supervisor Saunders noted that Silver Creek Township will have a new trustee, Bill Zuhl, and also a new county commissioner, Terry Ausra.

There was no further public comment.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. by the call of the Supervisor.

Barbara Runyon  
Silver Creek Township Clerk

Dated: August 17, 2016  
To be approved at the September 14, 2016 Regular Meeting