



Minutes of **SPECIAL MEETING**
Held **July 14, 2011**

Township of Springfield

Laura Moreau, Clerk

Call to Order: Clerk Moreau called the July 14, 2011 Special Meeting of the Springfield Township Board to order at 7:00 pm at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present

Laura Moreau	Township Clerk
Jamie Dubre	Township Treasurer
Judy Hensler	Township Trustee
David Hopper	Township Trustee
Dennis Vallad	Township Trustee

Board Members Not Present

Roger Lamont	Township Trustee
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Others Present

Greg Need	Township Attorney
Mike Forst	Property Manager
Vicki Sievers	Chief Assessor

Clerk Moreau stated that due to the vacancy in the office of Township Supervisor, a Chairperson needs to be appointed.

* **Treasurer Dubre moved to appoint Trustee Vallad as Chairperson Pro Tem. Trustee Hopper supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Dubre, Hensler, Hopper, Moreau, and Vallad; No: None; Absent: Lamont. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

Public Hearing:

Eliza Lake: Special Assessment Roll

Chairperson Pro Tem Vallad noted for the public this public hearing is to hear from residents on the proposed special assessment roll as to why they may disagree with their assessment or shouldn't be on the roll; the public hearing can also be used by residents to make comments regarding the proposed SAD.

Clerk Moreau confirmed that all required documentation and notices had gone out as required by law.

Chairperson Pro Tem Vallad opened the public hearing at 7:07 pm.

Paul Rabaut, 11540 Ely Road, supports the action, believes the assessment is a bargain and a good value to protect their property; and thanked the Board for their support.



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Mike Sternemann, 9056 Tindall, asked for a breakdown of the fee. Treasurer Dubre responded the assessment was based on \$15,000: \$13,000 was for the actual treatment of the lake and the lake study, 4% of the \$13,000 was charged for administrative fees, and balance will be for legal fees and noticing; actual amounts for legal fees and noticing won't be known until everything has been completed.

Jeff Plonski, 9220 Osprey Circle, commented on the fees, \$800 is for the annual permit fee, \$9,375 is for the aquatic management service, and \$352 is for the lake study. He supports the SAD and any future action of forming a Lake Board.

Hearing no other public comments or written correspondence, Chairperson Pro Tem Vallad closed the public hearing at 7:12 pm.

New Business:

1. Eliza Lake: Special Assessment Roll

Chairperson Pro Tem Vallad stated now is the opportunity for Board discussion and possible adoption of the resolution.

Clerk Moreau noted the Agreement between the Township and the Eliza Lake SAD Association was signed by Mr. Plonski and returned. A signed Agreement was one of the conditions for approving the district.

William Adolph, 11490 Ely, asked if residents are being requested to pay this fee every year, what happens if the weed treatment doesn't work? Treasurer Dubre replied that would be the time to speak out against another assessment or the creation of a Lake Board; she reminded him this assessment is only for one year, for the purpose of treatment in 2012. She also noted the lake study will provide direction as to what the appropriate treatment should be which hadn't been done in long time.

- * **Treasurer Dubre moved to adopt the Resolution confirming the Special Assessment Roll for Eliza Lake as presented. Clerk Moreau supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Dubre, Hensler, Hopper, Moreau, and Vallad; No: None; Absent: Lamont. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

Jeff Plonski asked what they need to do next to establish the Lake Board. Chairperson Pro Tem Vallad said they could speak after the meeting.



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Adjournment:

Hearing no other business, Chairperson Pro Tem Vallad adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.

Dennis Vallad, Chairperson Pro Tem

Laura Moreau, Township Clerk

Charter Township of Springfield

RESOLUTION

2011-11

Resolution confirming Special Assessment Roll for the Special Assessment District designated ELIZA LAKE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

At the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield, Oakland County, Michigan (the "Township"), held in the Township Hall on the 14th day of July, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Dubre, Hensler, Hopper, Moreau and Vallad

ABSENT: Lamont

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Dubre and supported by Hensler.

WHEREAS, The Township Board has determined it is reasonable, necessary and in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Township to establish a Special Assessment District to finance weed and algae control in Eliza Lake, and has tentatively designated a Special Assessment District against which costs of the improvement are to be assessed ("The Project"), and;

WHEREAS, the Special Assessment District for The Project has been determined by the Township and has been designated as Eliza Lake Special Assessment District, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Board has directed the Township Supervisor to prepare the proposed Special Assessment Roll, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Supervisor has prepared the proposed Special Assessment Roll and has filed the proposed Special Assessment Roll with the Township Clerk, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Board has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed Special Assessment Roll, and notice of the hearing was properly provided, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Board conducted the public hearing on the Special Assessment roll at a regular meeting of the Township Board held on the 14th day of July, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Roll Filed. The Township Board acknowledges that the Township Supervisor has filed the proposed Special Assessment Roll for the Eliza Lake Special Assessment District (the "Roll") with the Township Clerk, and has certified that the Roll was prepared in accordance with the Township Board's directions and in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan.
2. Roll Confirmed. In accordance with the provisions of Michigan Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, and the laws of the State of Michigan, the Township Board hereby confirms the Roll and directs that the assessments made therein shall be collected.
3. Payment of Principal. The Township Board determines that each Special Assessment shall be paid in a single installment, due on or before February 14, 2012.
4. Payment of Interest. All unpaid installments shall bear interest, payable at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum.
5. Ratification of Notice. The form and content of the notice published and mailed to property owners in the Special Assessment District by the Township Clerk with respect to the public hearing held on the 14th day of July, 2011, and all actions of Township officials in scheduling such hearing, are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.
6. Inconsistent Prior Resolutions. All previously adopted resolutions that are in conflict with this resolution are repealed to the extent of such conflict.
7. Appeals. In order to appeal the amount of any special assessment, affected owners or parties with an interest must protest the proposed assessment. This may be done by appearing in person at the hearing, having an agent appear at the hearing on behalf of an owner or party in interest or by filing a protest by the hearing date, by letter addressed to the Township Clerk, Charter Township of Springfield, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, Michigan 48350. An owner or party having an interest in the real property affected by the special assessment may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll if that special assessment is protested at the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll.

Upon a roll-call vote for the adoption of the foregoing resolution, the vote was:

AYES: Dubre, Hensler, Hopper, Moreau and Vallad

NAYS: None


ABSENT: Lamont

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Springfield, Oakland County, Michigan, hereby certifies that (1) the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Township Board at a regular meeting held on the 14th day of July, 2011, at which meeting a quorum was present and remained throughout, (2) the original thereof is on file in the records in my office; (3) the meeting was conducted, and public notice thereof was given, pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act (Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended) and (4) minutes of such meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required thereby.



Laura Moreau, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield
Dated: July 15, 2011