Arcadia Township Hall

April 10, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.

Board Meeting Minutes

3422 Lake Street, Arcadia, Michigan 49613

Present: Doug Carter/ Supervisor, Ken Messer/Treasurer, Patrice Wisner/Clerk, Greg Wisner/Trustee, Mike Cederholm/Trustee.

Guests: 11

Call to order 7:00pm and Pledge of Allegiance

**Public comments on agenda items:** Citizens expressed concern for speeding traffic in Arcadia on M-22 and village streets. George Saylor, Manistee County Attorney introduced himself and announced that he will be running for 19th Circuit Court Judge and gave a short presentation detailing his qualifications.

**Approval/Amendments to the agenda**: Motion by G. Wisner to accept the agenda as presented, Cederholm 2nd, AIF.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Messer - written report distributed. Messer highlighted some line items issues. Discussion regarding various income balances and what they are to be used for. Messer answered each question. Report filed as presented.

**Approval Meeting Minutes** – March 13,2014 minutes filed as submitted.

**Correspondence** – correspondence received from the Manistee County Road Commission detailing road work Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 on Glovers Lake Rd.

**Committee and Department Reports**

**Marina and Harbor** – Skip Gingrich/Carter - Slip fees will increase, marina personnel will enforce the dog leash law. A box will be installed for after hours slip fees and will be monitored with a web cam. Per Hopwood, we have a grant for the fishing pier. The pier has been taken out for inspection of it’s condition. There will be an expense of $1800 to $2000 to repair it. All of the floating docks will need to be checked this year. Per Carter, Boat Launch progress is currently on hold waiting for the Corp of Engineers. We do need to proceed by May 6 to be open for the summer. If work does not begin by then, it will have to wait until fall. The channel looks good. Water level is up. Citizens group organizing June date for kayak roundup.

**Parks and Recreation**  – Cederholm - no report. Carter suggested that the Parks and Rec Committee needs to work directly with the Planning Commission as a subcommittee of the Commission. G. Wisner motioned for the Parks and Rec Committee to merge with the Planning Commission, Messer 2nd, AIF. Carter and Hopwood to coordinate.

**Planning Commission** - G. Wisner discussed changes to Ordinance 176 for Star-Key Point referring to setbacks. Review comments submitted for the Master Plan. The Commission scheduled a work session for the week of April 13. Hopwood commented on the Master Plan review. There will be a public meeting in late May or early June. Discussion. All agreed that the meeting should be after Memorial Day.

**Fire Department** – Wes Hull - reported he will give a verbal presentation for a grant request at the casino for next round of Revenue Sharing Grants. The FD received $3000 for medical equipment. Arcadia FD worked with other Townships for better prices on the equipment. The FD is ready for brush fire season. Purchased new pagers and noise cancelling headset from 911 grants. On April 23 at 7:00 p.m., North Flight will be coming to practice landings in Arcadia.

**Grants** – Hopwood – grant application for the beach project resubmitted and Grebe Park grant is closing out. Signs for Explore the Shores are in the making.

**Cemetery**  - P. Wisner will send out letters to families who have borders around their grave sites. Boarders are not permitted as they impede mowing and grooming. May 31 will be last date to remove them. P. Wisner is researching outdoor kiosks for the cemetery and software for record keeping. Zac Gilbert will be getting a new water tank to install soon.

**Historical Commission** – D. Eckhout. The museum is closed for the winter.

**Old Business**

* **M-22 traffic -** Carter has been investigating the issue and has discussed previous traffic studies with former Supervisor Janice McCraner. Carter met with the Sheriff regarding a plan to have a deputy in town at certain times of day or night. Discussion. The Lions Club may help through the DARE program being a presence in Arcadia. Discussion regarding the expense to the Township of having a deputy in town. Laurel Mason was named by Carter as Chairperson of a Traffic Safety Committee to study the issues and possible solutions and report to the Board, P. Wisner to be Board Liason.
* **Cost Recovery Ordinance** - Cederholm and Carter still working on it.

**New Business**

* **Dredging Contract** – Carter is working with Jim Stoops. The cost will be $20,000 + fuel, not to exceed $2000. As lake levels are up, dredging may not be as big an issue as it has in the past.
* **Star-Key Point Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment –** Hopwood presented Ordinance 176 to create a new zoning district for Star-key Point. G. Wisner made a motion to adopt Ordinance 176 and changes, Carter 2nd, AIF.
* **May 17 Lake Street Closure** – Arcadia Grit & Gravel - P. Wisner reported that Tad Peacock, of Endoman Productions, will be asking the County to close Lake Street on May 17 from 9:30 to 10:45 for the start of the race and requests Township Board approval of the closure. Carter motioned approval for the closure, Messer 2nd, AIF.
* **Dumpster Day** – Dumpster Day date discussed, Saturday, June 7 will be the requested date.

**Public Comment**: None.

Public excused 8:05pm by Carter to go into closed session.

Motion to adjourn 8:17pm by Carter, G. Wisner 2nd, AIF.

Respectfully Submitted, Patrice C. Wisner/Clerk