

***DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP***  
***JULY 7, 2021***  
***BOARD MEETING MINUTES***

**Present:** Terry Anderson, Amy Laper, Pat Althoff, Tom Jeppesen, & Ronda L Snyder Ehle, Tom & Deb Keopke, Chris Morris, Scott Scott, Charlene Pereloeu, Kenneth Pereloeu, Greg & Lisa Coughlin, Charles Cutting, Harvey & Cindy Shick, Larry & Laura Engel, Jen & Judi McCarthy, Jon Muilenburg, Albert Jongewaard, Lynne Almy, Catherine Pauly, Tom & Loni Hecksel, Tom Bush & Lynn March

7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Tom made a motion to approve the Agenda. Pat seconded. Motion passed
2. Tom made a motion to approve the June 2, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes. Amy seconded. Motion passed
3. Tom made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Pat seconded. Motion passed
4. Tom made a motion to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$29,066.45. Amy seconded. Motion passed

**Public Comments:**

1. Laura Engel read a letter about wind energy. Letter is on file at the Township.
2. Keith Phelps read a letter as well as handing out information packets about wind energy. Packet on file at the Township.
3. Linda Reynolds would like to see the current wind ordinance and the proposed wind ordinance posted on the web site. She also invited Albert Jongewaard to come to one of their meetings to answer questions. He said he is open to talking about it.
4. Shelia Crooks thanked those who came out to the protest while Apex had an informational meeting at the hall. She also said the wind turbine moratorium has the wrong date on it, (it does not). She also said she is neither for or against wind energy. She doesn't want one by her house. She also handed out papers to board members, those papers are on file at the Township.
5. Jon Muilenburg Suggested we check out the Zoning Enabling Act. Part 4.A
6. Melissa Bannen talked about her feelings on wind energy and what she BELIEVES is how the board members feel about it.
7. Mr Douglas from Maple Valley said they had a meeting last week and their attorney told them they are not writing an ordinance for Apex.
8. Cindy Shick read a letter from her about her feelings from what had happened after the June 2021 board meeting. She said they have lived her for 35 years in November. She also said she researched the proposed ordinance extensively before she put the new one together. There are items in it that come from several different ordinances.
9. Jack Jeppesen said yes they technically have a Planning Commission quorum but they were not talking to each other nor are they sitting next to each other.
10. Kelli Jeppesen talked about getting along and being respectful of others when they are talking.
11. Jo Hansen from Sydney Township just spoke about his feelings on wind turbines coming to the area.
12. Jeremy Kwekel from Cato township gave us all a packet to read and he was trying to debunk what Apex said about property values among other information from the packet. This packet is also on file at the Township.
13. Lynn Bush does not live here but has property on Clifford Lake and would like to retire here. Is a big proponent for wind energy but just not here.
14. Laura Hecksel from Clifford Lake and is against wind energy coming here. She encourages us to do the research.
15. Lisa Coughlin would not move here if we get wind turbines.
16. Albert Jongewaard thanked Cindy for coming to their meeting that was put on by Apex. He thanked her for taking the time to ask questions and talk to him. He would love to have a dialog with other

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people who are against or on the fence about wind turbines. Jeremy Kwekel blurted out something and Albert tried to answer him but the meeting got out of hand.

Terry tried to get everyone to calm down and let Albert talk but no one was listening. So, at 8:16 p.m. Tom made a motion to adjourn. Pat seconded and the meeting was adjourned. There will not be a date set to resume this meeting. The following will be presented at the next meeting at the August 4, 2021 Township Board Meeting.

**New Business:**

1. Propane contracts
2. Principles of Governance
3. Service & Repair Renewal Offer from Hart
4. Resolution to Approve Credit Card Acceptance Policy