

NORTHFIELD TOWNSHIP
Township Board Special Meeting
Minutes
March 14, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:22 P.M. by Supervisor Chockley at 8350 Main Street.

PLEDGE/INVOCATION

Supervisor Chockley provided an invocation and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Marlene Chockley, Supervisor	Present
Kathleen Manley, Clerk	Present
Lenore Zelenock, Treasurer	Present
Tawn Beliger	Present
Janet Chick, Trustee	Present
Wayne Dockett, Trustee	Present
Jacki Otto, Trustee	Present (arrived at 6:35 P.M.)

Also present:
Township Attorney Brad Maynes
Township Bond Counsel Steve Mann, Miller Canfield
Township Engineer Brian Rubel, Tetra Tech
Recording Secretary Lisa Lemble
Members of the community

ADOPT AGENDA

- ▶ **Motion:** Chick moved, Manley supported, that the agenda be adopted as presented.
Motion carried 6—0 on a voice vote.

FIRST CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None present.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Dockett said Darlene Curtis had been promised a sign on her property and asked that this be provided.

CLOSED SESSION

- ▶ **Motion:** Chockley moved, Chick supported, that the Board go into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.265(8)(d), (e), and (h) to receive an attorney-client privileged communication, to discuss pending litigation and to consider the purchase of real property. **Motion carried 6—0 on a roll call vote.**

[Otto arrived].

- ▶ **Motion:** Otto moved, Beliger supported, that the Board return to open session.
Motion carried 7—0 on a roll call vote.

ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

- ▶ **Motion:** Chick moved, Otto supported, that an offer of \$17,000 be made to Mr. Stoyanovich and an offer of \$16,500 be made to Mr. Westrate for easements to complete Phase III of the Barker Road Non-Motorized Path.

Board members discussed the pros and cons, including increased construction costs without the easements and objections to paying high prices for the easements.

Motion carried 4—3 on a roll call vote, Dockett, Beliger, and Zelenock, opposed.

- ▶ **Motion:** Chockley moved, Manley supported, that asphalt be used, rather than contract, for Phase III of the Barker Road Non-Motorized Path.

The Board briefly discussed the merits of the two materials.

Motion failed 5—2 on a roll call vote, Chick, Otto, Beliger, Dockett, and Zelenock, opposed.

SECOND CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Board members addressed comments and answered questions from Adam Olney, 9315 Lakewood Court, Dale Brewer, 11548 East Shore Drive, David Gordon, 5558 Hellner Road, and Udo Huff, 6431 Whitmore Lake Road, about the Barker Road Non-Motorized Path project.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Dockett objected to February 28th minutes and a report from the Supervisor not being available in the packet for this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

- ▶ **Motion:** Chockley moved, Otto supported, that the meeting be adjourned.
Motion carried 7—0 on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Submitted by Lisa Lemble. Corrections to the originally issued minutes are indicated as follows:
Wording removed is ~~stricken through~~;
Wording added is underlined.

Approved by the Township Board on April 11, 2017.

Kathleen Manley, Clerk