**LELAND TOWNSHIP BOARD**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**September 5, 2024 - 2:30 p.m.**

**Leland Township Library, Munnecke Room**

**203 E. Cedar Street, Leland**

**Minutes**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Susan Och, Clerk Lisa Brookfield, Treasurer Shirley Garthe, Trustee Clint Mitchell,

**ABSENT:** Trustee Mariann Kirch

**GUESTS:** 10

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Och called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**:

**ACTION:** Brookfield moved to approve the agenda as presented; supported by Garthe. Motion carried. 4,0

**DECLARATION OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Keith Ashley - This comment is preceded by a letter to the Board a few days ago. He is opposed to giving up control of this asset which is under discussion in this meeting. He has a lot of questions about the use of the property and the Munnecke Room and the seawall.

Berkley Duck – He commented that the Library is not an entity of the Township. The relationship of the Library and the Township is defined by the intra-government agreement.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. Approval of pursuing the transfer of deed for the Munnecke property, 203 E. Cedar Street, Lelandto the Leland Township Public Library.

Och noted that a proposal was received from the Library and the Township attorney looked it and provided notes. It was also discussed with the MTA.

Board members discussed the idea of the proposal and the formation of a negotiating team.

**ACTION:** Mitchell moved to pursue the transfer of the deed for the Munnecke property and appoint Lisa Brookfield and Clint Mitchell as the negotiating team; supported by Brookfield.

DISCUSSION

There was discussion about previous discussions with the Library about this transfer. The attorney cautioned to not rush into this. The conditions need to be thoroughly aired to the public. It is a valuable piece of property. It was suggested that Brookfield and Garthe are not up for re-election and are better able to be in long term discussions of this proposal. It was suggested that the motion be two motions: one to pursue the discussion and one motion to form a negotiating team.

MOTION CARRIED 3,1

1. Appoint Leland Township Board member team to manage and negotiate the Munnecke property transfer.

(DISCUSSED IN PREVIOUS ITEM #1.)

**BOARD COMMENT**

Brookfield - She would like to schedule a meeting fairly soon. Be ready with meeting times on Monday.

Brookfield – She gave an update of the Sunset Shores SAD. Bid documents will be ready this month and the project could go out to bid this fall with groundbreak in the spring.

Och – Och said, she agrees with Keith Ashley that the Board fails to discuss an issue thoroughly. There is an interesting point not discussed in this. The Library is better able to get funding, but if they can’t, the Township is the only entity that can take out a bond.

**PUBLIB COMMENT**

Keith Ashley– He is disappointed that the Board did not discuss details and thoughts about this. He hopes for a detailed discussion at the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION:** Garthe moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:57 p.m.; supported by Mitchell. Motion carried. 4,0

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Kacin

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Lisa Brookfield, Leland Township Clerk