

APPROVED MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING

Grosse Ile Township Board of Trustees
May 10, 2004
Grosse Ile Township Hall – Merle Solomon Board Room
9601 Groh Road

Present: Supervisor Jones, Treasurer Kobiljak, Trustees Neal, Wojewodzic, and Will
Absent: Trustee Raithel (excused) and Clerk O'Connor (arrived at 7:08 p.m.)

Adjourned to Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.
Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:07 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearings have been scheduled to hear public comment and receive reports on proposed project costs and amortization schedules for road improvements to the Lake Road Assessment District, Rucker Road Assessment District and the Ruthmere Road Assessment District. A separate hearing for each Special Assessment District will be held separately beginning with Lake Road District.

7:10 p.m. Lake Road Public Hearing convened and the following public comment received:

- 1) George Thompson, 8942 Lake Road, stated he hoped that after many years of drainage problems this project will eliminate those problems. He inquired what the interest rate will be and whether the assessment will be collected on the summer or winter tax bill and for how many years will the assessment last. *Response: The interest rate is expected to be 5.5%, which is 4.5% plus a 1% administration fee and is traditionally collected on the winter tax bill for a period of 15 years.*

Supervisor Jones asked for any further comments; hearing none, the Lake Road Hearing was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

7:25 p.m. Rucker Road Public Hearing convened and the following public comment received:

- 1) Duane Cooper, 9211 Rucker Road, as a new owner within the last 30 days is he responsible for the assessment to his property? *Response: Yes*
- 2) Tom Snyder, 8848 Rucker Road. Mr. Snyder thanked Mr. Reaume and Barb Thornley for all their assistance through this process and also thanked Trustee Will and the Road Committee.
Mr. Snyder asked if township owned property would be assessed? *Supervisor Jones replied No, the township does not assess themselves.*

Mr. Snyder also inquired whether the vacant property on lots 31 & 33 would count as one parcel or two. *One parcel only.* Mr. Snyder requested the township board assess over 15 years in order to help those residents on limited income within the assessment districts.

- 3) Rich Oslin, 8750 Rucker, asked when is the deadline to pay in full to avoid having it go on the winter tax bill? *If paid in full by August 15, 2004 the assessment will not appear on the winter tax bill.*
- 4) Mike Podgajski, 8790 Rucker Road, spoke in support of the 15 year assessment schedule and indicated that the culvert at his property needs correction.
- 5) Norman Donaldson, 8745 Rucker Road, asked if a culvert could be installed at his property to help with drainage. *Advised to obtain name and number from the township manager of the contact person at Wayne County to make a request for consideration.*

Hearing no further public comments from Rucker Road residents, the Rucker Road Public Hearing is adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

7:45 p.m. Ruthmere Road Public Hearing convened and public comment requested.

- 1) Francis MacMillan, 25843 West River Road, supported board decision for either the 10 year or 15 year assessment schedule.

Hearing no further public comment from Ruthmere Assessment District residents, the Public Hearing is adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the Public Hearing Minutes as adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Township of Grosse Ile, County of Wayne, Michigan, at a regular meeting held May 10, 2004, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Sharon A. Bennett, Deputy Clerk, Township of Grosse Ile