# NORTHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD LiveTranscript \*\*\* SPECIAL MEETING \*\*\* March 31, 2016 - - 5:30 PM 8350 Main Street

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Engstrom: Good evening everyone. Welcome to our special meeting this evening. If we could all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance...

# **PLEDGE/INVOCATION**

# **ROLL CALL**

Engstrom: I'll do roll call real quick. Thomas, absent with notice. Otto absent with notice. Westover, engstrom here, Dockett (here) Braun (here) Chick (HERE) Great.

# ADOPT BALANCE OF AGENDA

Engstrom: I'll make a Motion to adopt the balance of the agenda. Engstrom motioned, Chick supported. Those in favor? (aye) Those opposed? Motion passes.

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Engstrom: First call the public, if there's anyone that would like to speak this evening...

### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Engstrom: All right thank you. Any board member comments right now? Correspondence? Alright.

Dockett: I have one. I'm wondering about this meeting, if it's legal. It was posted as a closed session. I believe 18 hours ahead of time, I would imagine, and now it's turned into a regular meeting that the public don't know anything about, that could have come, I mean. So I'm wondering about the reality of that.

Township Attorney Brad Maines: For a special meeting as long as the meeting's noticed for what the purpose is which is to discuss real property acquisition in this case, as long as it's noticed 18 hours ahead of time, which is my understanding from Township staff it was, then, the question of whether the meeting was held in closed session or open session is really just a procedural one. All that's required for notice purposes to comply with the Open Meetings Act is 18 hours advance notice and notice of what the meeting's regarding.

Dockett: Then it doesn't make a difference it was posted as a closed session?

Maines: Does not.

Dockett: Then tell me the difference between that and a special meeting?

Maines: The difference between a closed session at a session and a special meeting? A closed session is something that would happen at a special meeting. So there's there are two different concepts there which is a regular meeting versus the special meeting which is a regular meeting is our second and fourth Tuesday of the month meetings. Special meetings are any other meetings. A closed portion of the meeting is, you know, we have a roll call vote and five members agree to go into closed session versus an open meeting which is what we normally do so.

Dockett: which only takes four people for that.

Maines: Correct...

Dockett: Thank you very much.

Maines: You're welcome.

Engstrom: Alright, everything else? Ok

Fink: Just just a moment of further clarification. A closed session is not a meeting. A closed session happens in an open meeting. So we we when we when before, this board happened, we used to call a regular meeting at seven o'clock to do some business and then go into closed session and you know they could spend, the board could spend an hour, two hours in closed session, and the individuals in the audience, if they wanted to stay till the end of the meeting, would have to wait until the end of the meeting in order to hear what was happening. We, when, when I got here, we created a slightly different sort of procedure by creating essentially either a meeting, a sort of posted notice meeting ahead of time, at six o'clock, at 6:30, and that's why we come up here, right, we're in an open meeting and then we go into closed session. So closed session is not a meeting. It is a session within a open meeting that is closed to the public.

<u>Dockett</u>: I'm not arguing that point. I just mean if we're gonna have a meeting, that's going to be an open meeting, and we're talking about property, I would like to have the whole township know about the special meeting, and about the meeting we're having. Nobody had much of a notice.

Fink: We're giving people more notice than they had previously.

Dockett: Excuse me?

Fink: We're making a closed session open so we're giving... we're creating more

transparency, more openness, more information on our ...

Dockett: But there's nobody here, Howard.

Fink: Yeah, but we...

Dockett: If we're gonna have an open meeting, If we're gonna have an open

meeting, we could have posted it and...

Fink: We did...

Dockett: We didn't post it as an open meeting.

Fink: Ok. Um...

### **CORRESPONDENCE and ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

Engstrom: On to our agenda item. Howard, Do you want to take the lead?

Fink: Yeah I do and I just have some comments ahead of time before we kinda get into the conversation but so um what we're here to talk about today is the Van Curler property and the price of the Van Curler property in various iterations and we'll get into the details of that, significantly went down, and you know we've been talking and I'm just gonna speak for myself, this is not necessarily you know, your all thoughts; it's just my thought and why this meeting came to pass. You know we've been, we've been talking and it was actually brought up at the last meeting, one of the board members sort of opened and identified that some stuff we were talking about in closed session, and so it's you know appropriate, I can say it again, we have been talking about the purchase of a lakefront park. And you know the idea of the Van Curler property had always been that it's it's it was a significantly large purchase, 3.3 million dollars, in the kind of price tag that, uh, that was probably not appropriate, uh, for a township like ours to involve themselves in sort of real estate acquisition to that nature. And so anyway, sort of moving forward, most recently, a gentleman came in my office, for full disclosure, gentleman came into my office the other day and inquired about this piece of property, and actually inquired about, and I want you guys to know this, for full disclosure, actually inquired about doing some real creative things like some downtown type development type stuff, and potentially even, you know we talked about a park, that the township would love to have there, a lakefront park and he was very interested in, in, in making those things happen. I had not known at that time that the property was ... I knew it was on the market but I didn't know what the cost of the property was. I don't know what the list price was. And then, so the next morning I was sort of curious and looked on LoopNet and saw the list price. When I saw that list price

I thought that it would be, it would be appropriate and and the right thing for the community to inform you all as fast as I possibly could, and to have the discussion as fast as we possibly could. Not saying you should or you shouldn't. I obviously personally think that this is something that the township, you know, that a lakefront park is something that would be good for the township to have and I certainly support, but ultimately that's your decision on a policy decision, and so anyway when I found out about this property and the cost specifically of the land I immediately called Marilyn and asked her for permission to call a closed session, if you will, and I think she has, special meeting, and I think that she communicated that to Angie, and then the ball got rolling. We ultimately ended up deciding to open it as an open session and have the conversation in public. So that's where we are. The, you have in front of you a packet that includes two parts of the Van Curler property. The one part of the Van Curler property is 15.3 acres which includes a section of the lake front. And that property is listed for 229,500. The second piece that you have in front of you is a property that is 8.2 acres, that is listed for a \$123,000. The second piece is a piece that backs up to, a little piece of it, backs up to Barker Road and it is sort of the bottom half of the van curler property in the kind of way that we've always sort of identified the Van Curler property. Obviously the 15.3 acres is is the piece that I think will garner some conversation and interest. You know I, I, I think that this is something that that is my responsibility to get to you guys and bring to your attention and the reason why I think that's my responsibility is because I've heard and various board members have expressed a deep desire to have some type of lakefront park in Northfield Township and a central location for a number of different issues, and so I obviously publicly support that and I felt it was really, it behooved me to try to act on that faster rather than slower and that's why this special meeting has been called. You know I leave it up to you for discussion and debate and and and what you feel should or should not be next steps.

# Braun: I like it.

Engstrom: I like it. We've had many discussions already about the I think the locating and identifying the correct parcel was the key to fifteen acres is absolutely, I think, a must have and if it's in the budget I would even recommend getting the additional eight acres.

Chick: I don't think it's just us that likes this idea; I think I... Can you hear me? OK sorry. I don't feel that it's just the Board or some of the board members that think this is a good idea. We've heard from multiple residents from one end to the township to the other, that if there was any opportunity to purchase the Van Curler property, that would be a prime piece of property to have to develop our downtown area, to provide some lakefront opportunities for our residents as well.

so I just, it fell into our laps at a time when we're discussing it. I think it's

something we really need to act on.

Westover: I'll make it short and sweet I think it's ideal.

Fink: I asked [Senior Center Director] Tammy to be here and Tammy, if if you don't mind just saying what your thoughts are.

<u>Tammy</u>: I think I think it's the perfect thing to do, I really do. Basically the prevailing attitude I hear at the Center from everyone is that a lakefront park is what the township is lacking and that it would know everybody feels that it would bring a lot to the township in terms of boosting the downtown area giving the residents, you know, a place to go but don't have waterfront access Otherwise. So I I feel it's really the best thing to do.

<u>Engstrom</u>: In addition to the park that we've always talked about I like the size of it we can always lacking parking for any of our events for the fireworks in the past we've had fairs back on that 15 acre parcel. I think it's wonderful.

Fink: The other thing I just want to mention, for full disclosure, Mr Wagner wasn't able to be here tonight. I did let him know about it. He did he does, I just want to be clear he does have some concerns on the liability side for a beach. You've heard that in the past and so I just wanted to remind you of that as well.

Chick: I think this also eliminates the liability issue and maintenance issues that might have been if we're looking at another piece of property that I already had a building on it and we were considering you know that would require some kind of maintenance. I do have a question, um, the 8.2 acres, the little small sliver along that is that wide enough for access to the you could use it as a driveway possibly into the rest of the area off of Barker - or is it too small?

Fink: I don't know. We just, we have not, we have not, been able, I, I, the only thing that I have done in terms of actual, um, you know, sort of going out and walking the property, is as I wanted to be clear where that lakefront piece was on the 15.3 acres so my understanding and I have been I haven't verified the survey which is looking at the parcel boundaries, is if you look at the very end of where the post office is you know there's a little row of trees right there at the end of the post office and the property, and then from there to what I can see as the line of Al Dente Pasta and where their fence is, and that's that lakefront piece and I wanted to sort of visualize that lakefront piece and the, but to answer your question Janet, I, I just I mean yeah I know that I don't know and I haven't had time to look at those kind of details

Engstrom: Janet, just that one sliver that you, well, there's two slivers, the
one to the left is, uh, to the left of marcos, and the one to the right there was

a older, uh, tore down years ago. I'm gonna guess that's a fifty or sixty foot wide lot so, I don't know what a road would require, it wouldn't be a two way, but possibly maybe something...

Chick: Also my thought was if you're providing two ways ways of access to the area, that alleviates traffic on one road.

Engstrom: Yeah. And then the only reason I would like to, you know, for sure definitely, 15 if anyone's in agreement or possibly grabbing, you know, getting the other eight acres I think that would be wonderful. We've always talked about, you know, something that we could do for the downtown and this would be, you know, not only the park, the parking, but maybe some future development type stuff or design ideas that could be done.

Chick: I agree.

Engstrom: Howard can I make a motion give you authority at this time?

Fink: You can.

Engstrom: You what?

Fink: I believe you can.

Engstrom: Brad?

Maines: I think what we would be looking for tonight would be authorization to make an offer obviously, and I was sharing this with Howard earlier; I spoke with Steve Mann earlier today about possibilities it the, if the board wanted to finance this in some way, whether it's through a land contract with the seller, or whether through standard financing through a bank, it's my understanding from Steve that the township could authorize an offer price tonight, but that there would have to be a later on resolution authorizing the mechanism of the financing and the shape of the financing, but that, that wouldn't interfere with the township authorizing an offer tonight.

Fink: And you could also and, and I just want to throw this out there cause Mr. Dockett suggested it, and I think it's a good suggestion to ponder as well, you could also make an offer of a, uh, of an option, uh, with, with a purchase price, so, uh, and I'm just throwing out numbers; I'm not suggesting that you have a number or not, um, but like let's say for example you would make a full price offer on the 15.3 acres, you could say we would like 60 days. We will give you a certain amount of money, say two or three thousand dollars, whatever it is, for 30, 60 days worth of due diligence, and then if we decide to pull the trigger, we'll pull the trigger at the list price. Is that right?

Maines: Yeah.

<u>Dockett</u>: That's the first thing that should be done. We shouldn't even talk about buying it, in my opinion, it should be...

Fink: But you have to, if you're gonna do that,

Dockett: It should be, it's an option...

Fink: Yeah, you have to

Dockett: Excuse me, Howard. Should be that's an option. I don't, I don't think that we should buy anything without having some without having [unintelligible] do some sort of a survey so I can see some... I don't see anything on here so it's pretty stupid to buy a piece of property, I think tonight, to make a some offer on something we don't even know what it is. We need to get, you need to get the Polar Bear club out here and see what the beach is like. I think...

Engstrom: Yeah, I mean, they can add, they can add those contingencies

Dockett: There's lots of, lots of things have to be done. The only way to buy this, in my opinion, I'm not going to support it, unless it's, was, two or three meetings worth of public, get some feedback from them, but you should ask for an option, like Howard said, a couple thousand dollars. That will give you 90 days you got time to do the survey; you've got time to check it out I don't think it's a, I don't think it's something should be done tonight. That's my opinion. Thank you.

Maines: Just if I may, briefly, Madame Supervisor, I think Mr. Dockett's absolutely right. What we would propose would would not be a purchase tonight. It would be either an option with an option price and a purchase price or else a purchase agreement which calls for a certain amount of due diligence time period. We'd recommend ninety days to look into getting a survey, getting Title work done, getting financing, getting any environmental evaluation that we want to do done, but you're absolutely right Mr. Dockett; we would not be looking for an outright purchase. We'd be looking for a purchase agreement with due diligence period.

Fink: I don't think they'd take 90. They may take 60.

Maines: I would ask for 90.

<u>Dockett</u>: Yeah, I meant, take what you get. And what would you think would be reasonable, \$2,000? If we don't buy - they keep it, which is, which I have no problem with.

Maines: For the price of the option, you're saying Mr. Dockett?

Dockett: Yeah, for the option.

Maines: I'll be honest with you I haven't done an option purchase in some time I'm not sure what sort of the going rate would be but I would think that we would be base it off of some percentage of of the actual purchase price.

Fink: I think, you know, based on my understanding of the Van Curlers and, and, and where Mrs. Van Curler is with these properties, I think they will give us some due diligence time. I think if we want more due diligence time we're gonna have to pay for it.

Dockett: well

Fink: So I've got a feeling that we'll get some level of due diligence time if we wanted it and if we wanted to go into, my personal opinion is, if we wanted to go into the 90 day time frame, you know, that we probably will need to pay for an option, um,

Dockett: That's correct, but it's a fair price and it goes up, I mean, you're not going to try to beat him down,

Fink: No, I agree with you...

Dockett: I don't know if you are. I don't know if you are or not but if you offer him an option, then you're giving them what they're asking I would think they'd give it to you.

Fink: I'm not disagreeing with you Mr. Dockett; we're not arguing. So, as I said when I first started, I thought it was a good suggestion, so, Um, so I think what we should, well, that's, why, I guess what's the pleasure of the Board?

Engstrom: I'm willing to put a motion forward. I just need to prepare one. Um,
everyone wanna wait just a second and see if it's what everyone [untelligible]

Engstrom [off microphone] reads motion. Cannot be heard.

Dockett: Is your microphone on?

Fink: Yeah that's fine.

Attorney Maines: If you're gonna authorize it as an option, though, you should make sure to give both the option price and the ultimate purchase price. In other words, how much you want to pay for the time of the option

[Fink, interrupting] and how much you want of the time.

Maines: Exactly. Fink: Well, it's not the cost of the option it's how much time you want is the more critical piece cuz they may

[Engstrom - off microphone]

Fink: Give us some room. Give us some they need give us some room give us some flexibility.

[Engstrom - off mic] Well, H' H' How 'bout you do this, How 'bout you, How 'bout you give us a maximum to, Let me let me ask you this question: how many days of due diligence do you want?

Dockett: Excuse me Howard; I can't hear you.

Fink: How many days of due diligence do you want?

Dockett: How many days do we want?

Fink: Sixty days.

Dockett: I'd say ninety days myself.

<u>Fink</u>: Mr. Dockett, everybody else is saying sixty; I don't know if you're hearing them.

Dockett: You asked me; I told you.

Fink: No, No, No, I'm saying; I'm just pointing it out to you.

Dockett: I didn't hear them say sixty days.

Engstrom: Brad, would you be wanting to do an environmental?

"Brad" Fink: Yeah.

Attorney Brad Maines: I think it's certainly something we would want to look at in terms of a phase one, before...

Engstrom: I don't do them very often but uh, yeah, well you know I would imagine

Dockett: You ask for 60, you might get 30. You ask for 90, you might get 60...

Engstrom: Yeah, you could always get an extension if need be or whatever, but I would imagine you could get an environmental by then. And they're actively out

there surveying, at least the stone and the Yellow House.

Fink: Well, I mean, a phase one, you can get in 60 days, a phase two, that's a different story, and actually I would, I would be more comfortable with a phase two, cause a phase one is only gonna get you historical land use analysis.

Engstrom: We got that right here right?

Dockett: I don't know what you're talking about.

Engstrom: Oh. A phase one environmental study gives you the history of the property to see if there's possible any contamination that you'd have to be worried about and clean up but you right here is about, you're probably our Phase one.

Fink: Yeah, you're as good as a phase one gets, Wayne.

Engstrom: Cause has anyone, anything ever been there, any dumping ever on that property?

Dockett: Yeah, Cows.

Fink: Well, and so, and so, so this is why I'd rather skip

<u>Docket</u>: Michigan Football team used to stay at the big hotel in town. This is way back and they they scrimmaged there all spring.

Fink: So this is why I'd rather skip directly to the phase two because I want to get some soil testing and that's gonna be, that's a phase two analysis. I, I think you're gonna need ninety days to do everything that we're gonna wanna do. I think we could get it done in 60 but it's going to be pushing it, um, uh, but I think what we're gonna want to do is survey it. I think we're gonna want to understand the lakefront piece. I think we're gonna want to understand the soil conditions on the property. I think we're gonna wanna understand the, you know, potential contamination, so we're gonna wanna do some soil testing throughout the whole site and that's gonna end up being, you know, multiple places we'll probably wanna I mean, we may not actually need to have any soil borings done at the very moment but you know those are all...

Dockett: We're not building on it

Fink: We won't build on it but...

Dockett: I hope not, anyway

Fink: I mean, there's, there's nothing to suggest that the township board couldn't, you know, try to say that we won't use all 15.3 acres and have some of the land as potential for helping soccer fields or even helping create, you know, the downtown and, uh, you know sort of acting in that way so I'm not suggesting what you should do, I mean there's just lots of options out there.

Dockett: I would like to see; I don't know if we, I don't know if we need a full survey. I don't know how they do it. Or do they have to do that? I'd like to see the corners. I mean I'd like to be able to go there and look at the property that's that's where I'm coming from...

<u>Fink</u>: That's gonna take you at least a few weeks... You know, to get somebody out there to survey it and stake it...

Dockett: If we don't buy it I don't think we need to do a full survey on it; I think we need to find the corners.

Fink: Um, ya know, I think, I think sixty days will do it. I think ninety's better. So.

Engstrom: And how does, I'm almost done with this motion, but can I get your train of thoughts on trying to get both of them together?

Dockett: Are you talking about two pieces? Oh, come on. We certainly don't need the other piece, folks.

Engstrom: well, this is just a, we're not committing to anything right now.

Dockett: That is, ah, ah, that's baloney. We already, we've already got, look at our Fire Hall, 75 Barker, the paint's peeling off, the parking lot looks like a war's been going on there. Darlene Curtis' property... we don't take care of anything. We don't need the property.

<u>Fink</u>: Um, I wanna hear everybody else's thoughts, uh, so please, I'd like to hear everyone's thoughts on the 8...

Engstrom: It's not a full commitment with an option or even a purchase agreement with your due diligence I'd like to see it as a package and if, then we can decide at a later date.

Fink: Right.

Engstrom: You know when we have the rest of our board here.

Fink: Yeah, absolutely and, and, the other thing I was thinking is if, it was just a thought, if you wanted the other 8.2 acres with it, if, and you

offered a full price on the 15.3, you may want to offer less on the 18, on the eight.

Engstrom: Correct. I'm thinking like a hundred or something like that.

Fink: yeah, or ah, okay, so, anyway, those are just some thoughts.

Engstrom: Do I have to get that specific or can I just.

Fink: Uh, Well I, I think that you need to, I think you need to, um, give us direction on the, on, on the, each one.

Engstrom: Ok, I'll do one at a time.

Fink: Yes.

Engstrom: Hmm. Ok I'll make a motion to approve Howard and Paul Burns' office to move forward with a ninety day option on the 15 acre parcel owned by Van Curler and or a purchase agreement with a ninety day due diligence and authorized to offer full price.

Chick: I'll support.

Fink: And are we giving him anything for the option of the ninety days?

Chick: \$2500?

Engstrom: Sure, \$2500? Let's say up to \$5,000.

Fink: 'kay.

Engstrom: Still in agreement?

Chick: Yes.

Engstrom: Okay.

Fink: We'll start, we'll start at \$2500 for a ninety-day option.

Engstrom: Ok. So we had Engstrom motioned and Chick supported. So those in favor? [Aye]

Dockett: Wait, I...

Fink: Can "we" have a roll call?

Engstrom: Oh... Chick: Yup.

Dockett: I, I have something to say about this.

Engstrom: Yeah, go ahead.

Dockett: I don't believe that you four people should make the decision about this. I believe we should have several meetings a couple of meetings with the residents of Northfield Township and get some kind of feedback from them. I think you're making a wrong decision before you for 8000 people. Thank you.

Engstrom: And Wayne I agree with you a hundred percent and because the offers will have a ninety-day due diligence or a ninety-day option that does give us the opportunity to hear the public. It's just an opportunity to tie up the property for a short time and so no one else can purchase it.

Dockett: So, so, what are you asking for? You asking for 90 days?

Engstrom: Yeah.

<u>Dockett</u>: And you're offering how much for, a option? You're asking for an option to buy.

Engstrom: We're offering up to \$5000 for the option or...

Dockett: That's pretty heavy if we don't buy it.

Engstrom:

Engstrom: Right, but it's just Dockett: I would... Engstrom: so we don't have to keep coming back... is

<u>Dockett</u>: Well, the price is right on the, if you're gonna give 'em the, what they're asking, I think \$2000 is plenty on the option. That's my opinion.

Engstrom: Which we don't even have to go the option route. A purchase agreement with due diligence [Dockett: No] would do [Dockett: No] the same thing [Dockett: No] and it won't cost you any money.

Dockett: No, you need an option.

Dockett: I'm gonna vote no.

Engstrom: Alright. We're with the roll call. Westover? [Yes.] Engstrom? [Yes] Dockett? [No] Braun? [Yes] Chick? [Yes]

Engstrom: Thank you and I've got another motion coming. Hold on,

Fink: Alright, so, uh, Sorry, um, yeah, so then I think you can, what? [Shushed by Engstrom] Oh, okay.

Dockett: Well did you use a, did you use a property number? What, How did you make the, how did you...

Engstrom: [unintelligible] named the Van Curler property.

Dockett: Well there's about 8 lots there. I mean, you better, you better...

Fink: 15.3.

Dockett: do better than that.

Fink: 15.3 as presented in your packet.

Engstrom: as presented in your packet. I make a Motion to approve Howard and Paul Burns' office to move forward on an option, ninety day option or purchase agreement with ninety day due diligence on the Van Curler property...

Fink: And I would I would start low on this one, just so you guys, I mean, that's my opinion.

Engstrom: Yeah, which is the 8.2 acres as presented,

Fink: If you're gonna do it... for a \$100,000

Fink: I would

Engstrom: not to exceed, sorry...

Fink: I would go lower than that, just to start.

Engstrom: Right.

Fink: We just hope that they are not informed of it. <forced laugh>

Engstrom: Not to exceed a hundred.

Fink: Alright.

Maines: [off mic, unintelligible]

Fink: Yeah, for, not to exceed a hundred for purchase price...

Maines: How much for the option?

Fink: How much for the option?

Fink: No option on this one? Engstrom: No, no option.

Fink: No option.

Fink: So, not to exceed hundred, we ask for 90 days worth of due diligence. We go from there.

Engstrom: But if you do end up going with the purchase, uh, you know, you can go a purchase agreement too, for the, all of that and, did I get purchase agreement and/or option on this?

Fink: You did, You gave us, on the first motion you said purchase agreement and/or option at full price and the option up to \$5,000 for a ninety-day option and we will start lower than \$5,000; we'll start at two. Wait, we said \$2500 but we'll start at two for Mr. Dockett.

Engstrom: Great. Okay. So the motion's complete. I'm sorry got sidetracked over there. Okay let's do it.

A motion to approve Howard and Paul Burns's office to move forward on either a 90 day option and/or a purchase agreement with a ninety day due diligence for the Van Curler property as presented to us which is the 8.2 acres of vacant land. Oh wait, with the purchase price not to exceed \$100,000 and the option price to be no more than, not to exceed, three?

Maines: I think if you made an option price of a thousand dollars, at least that gives us the ability to offer it.

Engstrom: with an option, if, option price of a thousand dollars, if needed.

Fink: Yeah, we're gonna on...

Chick: Support

Engstrom: Any further discussion? Role call vote; I start to my right. Chick? [Yes] Braun? [Yes] Dockett? [No] Engstrom? [Yes] Westover? [Yes]

Engstrom: Alright.

Fink: On that second one, because I know that there's a little bit of hesitation

on that second piece or it's not as, it's not, it's not like the first piece we're, we're, we're gonna, we're gonna try to make sure that, you know, on that second piece, if for some reason, we have a different line of thinking in 30 days or sixty days, that we have a lot of flexibility on that second piece, obviously, so.

Engstrom: Yeah just want to give you enough...

Fink: We wanna...

Engstrom: authority to...

Fink: Go tie it up...

Engstrom: Alright, I believe if we are done with our agenda item unless anyone
else has any more comments. No?

### 2<sup>nd</sup> CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Engstrom: Second Call to the Public? No?

### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Engstrom: Board member comments?

<u>Dockett</u>: I have a Board member comment. I think we're, as I stated earlier, I think four people in this Board's making a very very big decision without having input from the residents of Northfield Township.

<u>Engstrom:</u> My board member comment is to go along with Wayne's and, um, yes, I agree with him, but we do have a long period of time to ask the public for their opinion before anything is finalized.

<u>Fink</u>: Great. Very, very quick. Planning Commission. I forgot to mention this at the last meeting and I apologize. The Planning Commission voted to, Janet, correct me if I'm wrong, Planning Commission voted to postpone the survey for a year that needs to go back to the Board of Trustees as to what you guys want to do and how you guys want to resolve that contract.

Chick: Yeah, that is correct. They, they were willing to wait.

Fink: Yeah, So that...

Chick: delay for one year and one day I think it was...

Fink: Right, so that'll be back on the agenda at the next meeting and I wanted to give you guys a heads up on that. I had meant to make that as an announcement at

the last meeting and it totally slipped my mind, so.

Dockett: And you have the figures of what they charged us, what we paid, what the balance is.

Fink: I'll have all those presented to you, I'll have all that presented to you in the packets

Engstrom: Great. If we're done, I'll make a motion to adjourn. Thank you

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