## NORTHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD LiveAGENDA April 26, 2016 - - 7:00 PM 8350 Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE/INVOCATION
ROLL CALL
ADOPT BALANCE OF AGENDA

CALL TO THE PUBLIC <u>Mary Devlin</u> <u>Joanne Pierson</u> <u>Tawn Bellinger</u> <u>Craig Warburton</u> BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS <u>Wayne Dockett</u>

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Fink reveals the hidden cost of his 8 Mile Road decorative bridge lighting – MDOT has announced that the Township is responsible for bridge and landscaping upkeep, maintenance, and cleaning. Dockett commented on extorting Fireworks donations from Township service suppliers. Dockett commented on the short meeting notice and minimal legal quorum voting on Van Curler. Dockett asked how much money the Sewer dept currently had and asked why that money couldn't that be used to fund the expansion tank. No one knew the balance. Braun used the opportunity to blame the \$280,000 bond liquidation loss on the Horseshoe Lake Sewer refund (which happened over a year later.) Fink said paying for a tank with non-debt wouldn't be good fiscal policy. Fink explained away Biltmore concerns, saying it would be a long bureaucratic process in any case. He did not admit, as we would suspect given what we learned of his proclivities revealed by the FOIAs, that he would be greasing the wheels every step of the way. [30 minutes]

## **REPORTS/UPDATES**

- Department Head Reports <u>Police & Fire WWTP</u>
- ZBA Report (none)
- Planning Commission Report

- Parks and Rec Report
- Financial Report (no questions)
- Township Manager's Report

## AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Fireworks Permit
- 2. Civic Event Application German Park Open Picnics
- 3. Civic Event Application Old St. Pat's Old Country Run
- 4. Acceptance of Whitmore Lake Rd. SAD Easements
  - a. 6431 Whitmore Lake Rd.
  - b. 6925 Whitmore Lake Rd.
- 5. Charitable Gaming License for the Michigan STEM scholarship for Women of Whitmore Lake
- 6. Dockett asks for a staked survey of the lakeside part of the Van Curler property. [3 minutes]

  Dockette emphasized the need to have a good visual understanding of the size of the area that the taxpayers are being told will be their beach. He described the area as "a very small sliver of land," "such a tiny little piece of lakefront," "that little sliver on the lake," and as, "maybe five or six feet wide [on one end] and maybe twenty [on the other]. Supervisor Engstrom refuses to second his motion, saying it would be "putting the cart before the horse." Really? It's "putting the cart before the horse" to see what you're buying before you sign the purchase agreement?

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 1. <u>Curtis Property</u> [8 minutes]
- 2. Van Curler Property
- 3. <u>Equalization Basin</u> [21 minutes]
- 4. Zoning Administrator Office Hours

2<sup>nd</sup> CALL TO THE PUBLIC BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS ADJOURNMENT

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