

Johnstown Township Minutes

13641 South M-37 Highway.
Battle Creek, Michigan 49017

Special Board Meeting Clear Lake Aquatic Weed Control – October 12, 2022 – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Johnstown Board: Supervisor Barbara Earl, Clerk Sheri Babcock, Treasurer Karmen Nickerson
Trustee Deana Powell, Trustee Jeff Warren

Visitors: Sixteen (16)

Agenda: A motion was made by Powell to approve the agenda. Seconded by Warren. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Hearing Open: A motion was made by Warren to open the Public Hearing at 5:01 p.m. Seconded by Powell. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

- A resident discussed the option of applying for a DNR grant after learning of the opportunity. Both Johnstown and Baltimore Township Clerks received similar communication from Representative Julie Calley. It was determined this option is not feasible for a variety of reasons. A Baltimore resident submitted a letter to the Baltimore Township Clerk to present at this meeting. She also had researched the grant option and came to the same conclusion that this would not be an option for Clear Lake.
- A Johnstown resident, Jill Rocco, meet with the Johnstown Township Clerk and Treasurer regarding her properties. She has three lots, 2 two back lots, and one front lot. Because of the unusual size and the road running through the property, she was asking if it would not be included.
- A Baltimore resident, Ron Felder, voiced his concern related to farming fertilizer practices and run-off into the lake. The resident further described a lack of inlets or outlets.
- A Johnstown resident, Monty Jones, remarked that present situation is most weeds ever observed in Clear Lake.
- A Johnstown resident, Jim Gray, asked what boundaries of the lake were in the proposed treatment zone, namely will sea wall to sea wall be treated as per his discussion with Andy at PLM.

Public Hearing Close: A motion was made by Warren to close the Public Hearing at 5:13 p.m. Seconded by Powell. All ayes. Motion carried.

Regular Meeting Open: A motion was made by Powell to re-open the Regular Meeting at 5:13 p.m. Seconded by Warren. All ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution: A motion was made by Warren to offer the Clear Lake Aquatic Plant Control Special Assessment District No. 1 Resolution No. 2 #2022-10-2 as presented. Seconded by Powell. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Warren, Powell, Nickerson, Babcock, Earl. Nays: none.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Powell to adjourn the meeting at 5:16 p.m. Seconded by Warren. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Attested to by:
Barbara Earl, Supervisor


Sheri Babcock, Clerk

****SPECIAL NOTE:**

After the meeting was adjourned a Baltimore resident arrived and voiced concerns over neighboring parcels not included in the roll. Other residents were voicing concerns to the Baltimore Board over the rolls also. We need to talk to the lawyer and believe we will need to repeat Resolution #2 after changes have been made.