

**WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**APRIL 2, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7pm by Supervisor Gatlin. Members present were Supervisor Gatlin, Clerk Fritz, Treasurer Munn, Trustee Thole and Trustee Bennett. 20 citizens were also present.

Clerk Fritz made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Bennett supported. Voice vote; passed. The monthly bill total was \$8019.59.

Clerk Fritz made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Trustee Thole supported. Voice vote; passed.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS:** Judy Struble is still hearing shots fired near her house.

Deb Homan petitioned the board for \$50 to Hometown USA for the Memorial Day parade. Supervisor Gatlin made a motion to approve the funds. Treasurer Munn supported. Voice vote passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Provision center presentation by Jamie Cooper. Pamphlets were handed out and presentation made to the board and citizens. The provision center would bring money to the community and be medical marihuana only. It would be a closer location for those in need to get access to medicines. A long discussion was held on the benefits of medical use, ways to take it, requirements for getting a medical card, and reasons for allowing the use—to have people use it instead of opioids. Supervisor Gatlin made a motion to allow dispensaries in Wakeshma Township at the board's discretion, pending zoning and any and all other charges (payable by applicant). Trustee Bennett supported. Role call vote: Thole: No. Fritz: No. Gatlin: Yes. Munn: No. Bennett: Yes. The motion did not pass at this time. Too many unanswered questions and information.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The road committee was represented by Mike, Deb Brockway and Randy Bartholomew at the meeting. We cannot afford to turn roads back to gravel. There are so many failed roads now. We can't get into debt with KCRC. They've come up with a 10-year plan to fund the roads by charging \$278 per parcel in the township. That would be 2.73 million over 10 years. Tentative proposal for a 10-year special assessment. There will be 2 public hearings to hear from the public and discuss options and hear concerns. This proposal is for a self-sufficient road fund. Supervisor Gatlin made a motion to explore this plan further. Trustee Bennett supported. Voice vote; passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Kalamazoo county conservation district is offering trees for sale. The last day to order is April 13.

**ZONING ENFORCEMENT:** None

**FIRE AUTHORITY:** None

**BOARD COMMENTS:** Climax voters are reminded to report to Climax for the May vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 by Supervisor Gatlin.