

**MINUTES
LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING
December 8, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to Order by Supervisor John Gast at 6:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Payne called the roll. Board members present were John Gast, Supervisor, Gloria Payne, Clerk, Robert Clark, Treasurer, Trustees: Terry Eichler, Patricia L. Heyn and John Wilk. James Stine, Jr., was absent. Zero visitors were present in the audience.

GUESTS PRESENT

Cornerstone Alliance Business Development Associate, Cathy Tilley
Dan Reifschneider, President Accu-Die & Mold, Inc.
Catherine Reifschneider
Will Reifschneider
Janet Hayes, Harbor Country News

Agenda Items

Supervisor Gast informed members that two public hearings were being held. The first, for the purpose of approving an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be constructed within the Industrial Development District for Accu-Die & Mold, Inc., which was initially established on March 19, 2001.

The second, Establishing an Industrial Development District for parcel number 11-11-0005-0021-18-5 Accu-Die & Mold, Inc., 7473 Red Arrow Highway, Stevensville, Michigan.

Supervisor Gast turned the floor over to Cathy Tilley who explained the industrial facilities exemption certificate for a 50' X 80' storage facility to house vehicles and racks for dies.

Ms. Tilley then introduced Dan Reifschneider, President of Accu-Die & Mold, Inc. He thanked board members for taking time out at this busy time of year to hear his request. He explained he employs 41 full-time and six part-time employees. He currently has \$1.7 million in equipment. He commented that he is committed to growing the Company in Lake Charter Township.

PUBLIC HEARING

It was moved by Eichler seconded by Clark to open the Public Hearing. Supervisor Gast opened the public hearing at 6:09 p.m. Six ayes, motion carried.

There was no public comment.

It was moved by Payne seconded by Wilk to close the Public Hearing. Supervisor Gast closed the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. Six ayes, motion carried.

INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE FOR ACCU-DIE & MOLD, INC.

Public Act 198 of 1974, a tax abatement, is the primary tool local units of government use as an incentive for companies to renovate, expand aging manufacturing plants or build new plants in Michigan. Tax abatements cover both real and personal property and the time period can run up to Twelve (12) years. Industrial plants that primarily manufacture or process goods or materials by physical or chemical change

qualify for a tax abatement. The legislative body of the township in which the facility is located grants the tax abatement. Both employer and the community benefit from a tax abatement. The employer benefits by providing the opportunity for employers to remain competitive, continue in business and maintain their local government. It gives the local unit of government the opportunity to reward a company who has been a good corporate citizen.

The community benefits by promoting economic growth and preserve the current local tax base and provides for future tax revenue increases. By adding new and retaining current jobs, revenues continue to flow into the local community.

Supervisor Gast asked board members if they wanted the Resolution Approving the Application of Accu-Die & Mold, Inc., for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate read out loud. Board members' declined. It was moved by Clark seconded by Eichler to approve the Resolution approving the Application of Accu-Die & Mold, Inc., to enter into an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate, for construction of a 50' X 80' storage facility to house vehicles and racks for dies, real property \$220,000.00 for a period of twelve (12) years 50% following the completion of the project. Roll Call vote: Gast yes; Payne yes; Clark yes; Eichler yes; Wilk yes; Heyn yes. Zero No, one absence. Motion carried.

ESTABLISHING INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR 11-11-0005-0021-18-5 FOR ACCU-DIE & MOLD, INC.

Supervisor Gast turned the floor over to Cathy Tilley who handed out an aerial map of Parcel#11-11-0005-0021-18-5, approximately 4.3 acres for the purpose of establishing an industrial development district.

It was moved by Wilk seconded by Heyn to open the Public Hearing. Supervisor Gast opened the public hearing at 6:21 p.m. Six ayes, motion carried.

There was no public comment.

It was moved by Payne seconded by Clark to close the Public Hearing. Supervisor Gast closed the public hearing at 6:22 p.m. Six ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor Gast asked board members if they wanted him to read the Resolution Establishing the Industrial Development District for 11-11-0005-0021-18-5, approximately 4.3 acres. Board members' declined.

It was moved by Payne seconded by Heyn to approve the Resolution Establishing the Industrial Development District for 11-11-0005-0021-18-5 for Accu-Die & Mold, Inc. Roll Call vote: Gast yes; Payne yes; Clark yes; Eichler yes; Wilk yes; Heyn yes. Zero No, one absence. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT


There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further objection and no further business it was moved by Payne seconded by Clark to adjourn the meeting. Six ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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Gloria A. Payne, Clerk

John Gast, Supervisor