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FLOOD MITIGATION FUNDING TOWN HALL MEETING

January 16, 2019

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

KVCC Dale B. Lake Auditorium

The purpose of this Town Hall meeting is to discuss funding options for the short-term solution of the flooding crisis.

- 6:30 p.m. **Welcome** – John Hinkle, *Texas Township Supervisor*
- 6:35 p.m. **Introductions**
- 6:40 p.m. **Description of the Problem** – Tom Wheat and Tom Smith, *Prein & Newhof*
- A. Effect on Lake Quality – Dr. Jennifer Jermalowicz-Jones, *Restorative Lake Sciences*
 - B. Solutions Reviewed
 - C. Costs Associated
- 7:00 p.m. **Preferred Short Term Solution** – Tom Wheat and Tom Smith, *Prein & Newhof*
- A. Cost
- 7:10 p.m. **Status of the DEQ Permit**
- 7:20 p.m. **Potential Funding Options** – Michael Homier, *Foster & Swift*
- A. Private Funding
 - B. Existing Special Assessment Districts
 - C. Special Assessment District
- 7:30 p.m. **Comments and Questions Related to Short Term Funding Solution** – moderated by Dennis Berkebile, *Texas Township Planning Commission Chair*
- A. Comment Guidelines:
 - i. Provide name and address
 - ii. Each person may speak once, for no more than two minutes
 - B. Responses to Written Questions
- 8:30 p.m. **Closing Statement** – John Hinkle, *Texas Township Supervisor*



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- Representative Brandt Iden
- Commissioner Christine Morse
- Former Commissioner Dale Shugars
- Jeff VanBelle, *Deputy Drain Commissioner*
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- Derek Haroldson, *Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ)*
- Kameron Jordan, *MDEQ*
- Mike Corfman, *Kalamazoo County Emergency Management Director*
- Dr. Jennifer Jermalowicz-Jones, *Restorative Lake Sciences*
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