

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
September 10, 2020

The regular meeting of the Long Rapids Township Board was called to order by Supv. Precord at 7:00 PM at the Long Rapids Township Emergency Facility, 5310 M-65 N., Lachine, Mi, 49753.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Present: Supv. Tood Precord, Trustee Gersewski, (attending by zoom) Trustee MacArthur, Treasurer Johnson & Clerk Thomson. Erin Kane, attorney was present. There were no commissioners present.

Public Comment: None.

Agenda Approval: Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of meeting minutes: Motion by Gersewski, second by MacArthur to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 352,480.87. Checking Account: \$ 58,420.31, Cemetery Fund: \$ 46,837.03, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$62,418.30, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,350.19, Property Tax Account: \$ 3,127.49. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: August, 2020 Revenue: \$ 2,206.79 and Expenditures: \$ 16,450.11. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the clerk's budget report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: None.

Cemetery Report: John Tinker: John gave an update of burials: 1 cremation burial. The grass has been mowed 5 times. A discussion on the Martindale stone that is over 110 years old and is on one of the 8 graves that is being purchased by Clark/Amy Lewis. (The lots were purchased and never used by anyone and has been advertised in local paper for ownership, no response.) They would like the stone to stay there and they will have a plaque made and cover the Martindale name. This was fine by the board.

Fire Department: Chief MacArthur: 2 fire runs and 7 medical runs. Annual hose testing will be 09/17/20. There was a tanker shuttle training and ISO evaluation at ACC 08/28 & 08/29. Our department met the evaluation standard time lines and will move on to the next step for an improved homeowners insurance rating. There will be a free equipment distribution event 09/26/20 at Presque Isle Twp. Fire Hall. Several truckloads of used equipment from downstate

departments will be displayed. Everything is free and is first come-first serve. (Report attached.)

Planning Commission: Wendy Johnson: All members were present at meeting. The new zoning fees need to be updated on the website. Susie MacArthur will take care of the updating. Some of the members would like to attend webinars or seminars from MTA if there are any being offered. Tom Spaulding and Richard Kraft will be sworn in for the next term. (Spaulding is a new member/new term and a renewal of term for Richard). (Report attached.)

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: Carpets have been cleaned. Thus far, no bookings for the rest of 2020. There are 2 wedding receptions scheduled for 2021.

Seminars: None.

Roads: None.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: Discussion about the dock and when it should be taken out. WEBSITE: No additions/removals at this time.

New Business: Payroll/Township: Thomson gave a presentation and presented a proposal from Banyon Data. QuikBooks was not an option because it could not be inputted until after the first of the year and was a bit more costly than Banyon. BS&A was not considered due to the County Clerk advising not to consider them due to their program cost. Also, she found the system to not be user friendly. Also, many options available with the software that are never used. Our township accountant also advised us not to consider BS&A. In his professional opinion, it was costly and more for large payrolls. After some discussion, Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to go with Banyon Data. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. (Proposal attached)

Public Comment: None.

Monthly Bills: Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to approve the monthly bills. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None.

Adjournment: MacArthur made the motion, second by Gersewski to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M. Susan Thomson, Clerk