

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
June 11, 2020

The regular meeting of the Long Rapids Township Board was called to order by Supervisor 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: Supervisor Precord, Trustee Gersewski, Trustee MacArthur, Treasurer Johnson & Clerk Thomson. Our township attorney and commissioners were not present.

Public Comment: None.

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

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

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 330,956.68. Checking Account: \$ 102,425.98, Cemetery Fund: \$ 42,888.91, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$62,403.21, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,346.72, Property Tax Account: \$ 1,206.97. 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: May, 2020 Revenue: \$ 614.40 and Expenditures: \$ 23,264.29. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the clerk's budget report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Alpena Public Schools sent a letter of correspondence thanking the board for allowing a bus to be parked on the township property to give students an opportunity to use the wi-fi, if they did not have availability at their homes.

Cemetery Report: John Tinker: The water is turned on, mowed the grass a total of 4 times, and 1 full burial was completed. (See attached report.)

Fire Department: Chief MacArthur: 1 fire run and 8 medical runs. RESCUE 1 had to have new brakes on the rear axle. We have received 2 new mobile 800 RADIOS and 2 PORTABLES from the county. The mobiles are installed in Engine 1 and Rescue 1. The 800 that came with R 1 has been installed in the tanker and is currently at Central Dispatch for the new template. The Genesee radios are being prepared for distribution. The 800 channel is now operational. GRANT: Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to submit an application for a DNR grant that is available as a 50-50 match. If received, it would be used for an extractor lo-speed washer to be able to wash turnout gear. (Report attached.) All personnel are well and healthy at

this time. (Report attached.)

Planning Commission: Wendy Johnson – The commission met on June 10th. All members were in attendance. Election of officers were completed, Tom Spaulding is the new chairperson, Arlen Wallace is the vice chairperson and Wendy Johnson, Secretary. A discussion of zoning fees and it was decided that the Commission would like to match our township zoning fees with the Green Township charges. Wendy passed out the fee comparisons for the board to review and a decision will be made at the July, 2019 meeting. (Report attached.)

Township Hall: No. new business other than the hall was rented Sunday, June 14th for a funeral. All rentals that had been booked were canceled due to the pandemic. The board discussed and a decision was made that we would not rent the hall going forward during the pandemic until September and then we would review again. Thomson stated that Green Township was doing a complete sanitation protocol with their hall before and after each rental effective immediately. Thomson placed a call to our attorney and has not heard back from him of what we are required to do. There was also a call made to our insurance company and we are required to get a copy of the renter's homeowner insurance coverage certificate. This would be in the event someone attending the social function contracted the virus and a lawsuit resulted, the renter would have coverage to protect them. The township insurance would not be liable. Also, it would be very difficult to prove that someone contracted the virus at the social function at the hall.

Seminars: None.

Roads: Chloride will start soon.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: Supv. Precord stated the canoe/kayak launch is in.
WEBSITE: MacArthur continues to work on developing the website.

New Business: BS&A Proposal-Tax Search: After a discussion of what was offered, MacArthur made the motion, second by Gersewski to accept the free subscription offered.
Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Public Comment: The capacity limitation of the township hall rental needs to be a consideration during the Covid19 Virus.

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

Adjournment: Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M. Susan Thomson, Clerk