

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
October 8, 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. Todd Precord, Trustee Gersewski, Trustee MacArthur, Treasurer Johnson & Clerk Thomson. Erin Kane, attorney was present. Tom Spaulding, Road Commissioner was 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 Gersewski, second by MacArthur to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 367,577.69. Checking Account: \$ 17,863.52, Cemetery Fund: \$ 47,588.95, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$62,420.86, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,350.78, Property Tax Account: \$ 3,956.35. 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: September, 2020 Revenue: \$ 16,123.09 and Expenditures: \$39,115.37. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the clerk's budget report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Thank you from the Ron McDonald family, Veterans Grant/Flags for cemeteries, a program that we are not going to participate with due to the demands/restrictions that are required to be involved with the program. Kalkaska Letter of request – a grant program that needed a letter of recommendation from surrounding townships-our township is not a surrounding township.

Cemetery Report: John Tinker: John gave an update of burials: 1 full burial. The grass has been mowed 4 times. There have been 13 graves sold. John reminded everyone that the cemetery clean-up is October 15th through the 20th.

Fire Department: Chief MacArthur: 2 fire runs and 6 medical runs. Annual hose testing was completed and all 2500 ft. passed. The annual ladder test will be October 27th. There was a free equipment distribution event at Presque Twp. Fire Dept. Darin and Kathy Himes attended

the event. They selected 2 sets of used bunker gear. Mice issue in the old fire hall and eradication is in progress. There is a problem with the Marathon fuel cards, (per Sue) direction will be necessary from the board for future fuel purchases. At this time until further notice, the department will use the township credit card for purchases. Also, Clerk Thomson is checking with BP to see why the new BP cards that were issued will not be accepted at their pumps. She will keep Chief MacArthur informed of what she finds out. (Report attached.)

Planning Commission: Wendy Johnson: Just a reminder that the next meeting will be held in December, 2020.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: All is quiet.

Seminars: None.

Roads: None.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: The dock is scheduled to be removed and the porta potties will be picked up this month. WEBSITE: No additions/removals at this time.

New Business: ADOPTION of RESOLUTION to form COMBINED&SINGLE BOARD OF REVIEW: The state is making changes and our assessor would like to combine all the meetings (Board of Review) into one meeting instead of him going to numerous townships. A decision has to be made by December, 2020. Supv. Precord is going to check and see if Wellington and Long Rapids Township could have their meetings together instead of five townships doing one Board of Review.

Public Comment: The new county commissioner, Kevin Osbourne, introduced himself to the board and persons attending the meeting. He has been appointed to serve Ron McDonald's remaining term.

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

Adjournment: Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M. Susan Thomson, Clerk