

Long Rapids Townshi
Regular Monthly Meeting
September 08, 2022

The regular meeting of the Long Rapids Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Pecord at 7:00 PM., at the Long Rapids Township Emergency Facility Meeting Room, 5310 M-65 N., Lachine, Michigan, 49753.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Present: Supervisor Pecord, Trustee Gersewski, Trustee MacArthur, & Clerk Thomson. Treasurer, Wendy Johnson absent. Erin Kane, Attorney 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 MacArthur, second by Gersewski to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: General Fund: \$ 595,480.67, Checking Account: \$ 22,404.10, Cemetery Fund: \$ 28,453.27, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,431.90, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,354.59, Property Tax Account: \$ 98,705.83. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski, to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Pecord, Gersewski, MacArthur, & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: July, 2022 Report: Revenue: \$ 1,840.00 and Expenses: \$ 21,126.83. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the report as presented. Ayes: Pecord, Gersewski, MacArthur, & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: DAR Chapter asking our board to support Constitution Week and sign the proclamation to show our support. MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to sign the proclation and return to DAR Chapter. Motion carried. ALLBAND invitation to a reception to their Mio Office.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: Updated on activity, 2 full burials and cremations this past month.

Fire Department: Chief Darin Himes: During the month of July, 2022, we had 10 EMS calls, and 1 mutual aid structure fire. FEMA Grant Update: No updates. RESCUE UNIT REPAIRS: The rescue unit was taken to MidWest for repairs after failing the annual vehicle inspection. TANKER: The tanker's warranty repair has been completed at CSI in Grayling and the customer service was very pleasing/satisfactory throughout the process. "ROPES RESCUE" HARNESS: The LEGACY FOUNDATION GRANT was applied for and it was for \$2000 and it will cover the cost of four harnesses for rope rescue. Tom Spaulding is preparing

the paperwork for the PIE&G grant. If received, this will be to fund the additional rope rescue equipment needed to complete the project. (Report attached.)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: Special meeting – met last night to discuss the “air bnb”. The Lloyd’s are going to revise the site plan. Also, Tom is going to call Mr. Graham and have a discussion with him regarding his ongoing complaints about the Lloyd’s. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Attorney Erin Kane will work with the members to create by-laws.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: Gave an update, there is 1 upcoming rental. Supv Precord stated there was an interest in using our hall for a fundraiser this fall by the AHS Rebound Club. After a discussion regarding the fundraiser, Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to allow AHS Basketball Rebound Club to use the township hall for a fundraiser in October, 2022 under the benefit clause of the township hall agreement. Precord stated there would be chaperones attending the function as well. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur & Thomson. Nays: None.

Seminars: MTA training at Bellaire in October, 2022. Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to allow any township board member to attend the conference. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, and Thomson. Nays: None.

Roads: No new business.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: No new business. WEBSITE: Website address is: longrapidstownship.org.

New Business: Thomson stated the recount went very well. Recount was for the District 6 Commissioner’s race. Three townships were involved with the recount. Burt Francisco was certified as our new commissioner.

Public Comment: None.

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

Adjournment: Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M. Susan Thomson, Clerk

Long Rapids Township Board of Trustees - Special Meeting, 09/23/2022, 5:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The special meeting was called to order by Supervisor Precord. The purpose of the meeting was to approve the on-site premises testing room for the Burrone Family Vineyards and Winery, LLC.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.
- III. ROLL CALL: Supervisor Todd Precord, Trustee Paul Gersewski, Clerk M. Susan Thomson. ABSENT: Trustee Susan MacArthur and Treasurer Wendy Johnson.
- IV. ON PREMISE TASTING ROOM PERMIT: A discussion by the board regarding the form that Mr. Burrone had received from the State of Michigan requiring the township clerk's signature. After reviewing the form, Trustee Gersewski made the motion to approve and recommend the on-site premises tasting room, and authorize the clerk to sign the form. Supervisor Precord seconded the motion. Ayes: Supervisor Todd Precord, Trustee Gersewski, & Clerk M. Susan Thomson.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
- VI. ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, Trustee Gersewski made the motion to adjourn, second by Supervisor Todd Precord. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

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M. Susan Thomson, Clerk of Long Rapids Township

Long Rapids Township Special Meeting

September 19, 2022

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Present: Supervisor Todd Precord, Trustee Paul Gersewski, Trustee Susan MacArthur, Treasurer Wendy Johnson & Clerk Susan Thomson. Attorney Erin Kane was present.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: Our 1996 rescue unit has been pulled off the road and parked. It has issues with the 4 wheel drive apparatus that can not be fixed. The unit has after market parts and mechanisms used that were not disclosed to our department at the time of purchase several years ago. After consulting with 3 different repair/service garage mechanics, we were advised the rescue unit cannot be repaired.

Options explored: Discussed extensively with CSI-Grayling of the possibility of pulling off the box of current rescue unit and install on a heavy duty pick-up unit. It would require some extensive electronic work and fabricating done to the cab of the new vehicle. Estimated cost would be approximately \$160,000-\$170,000+. If the board made the decision to go with this option for a rescue unit for the department, it would take 1 1/2 to 2 years for the unit to be ordered, built and box to be set on the unit and fabrication/electronics to be completed. The board needs to find and purchase a rescue unit soon, we cannot wait for a truck to be built and fabrications completed to the box.

The fire chief and assistant fire chief went down to the Chicago area and looked at a light rescue emergency unit that was for sale. Both the chief and assistant fire chief recommended the board purchase the unit. It is a 2020 F-Series, 550XL. We would be able to use our Covid monies that was received in the amount of \$ 102,780.38 as part of the purchase price and apply for a loan to pay for the balance of the rescue unit. Clerk Thomson has visited a couple of financial institutions and recommends that we apply for a loan at Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union.

After some discussion, Trustee Susan MacArthur made the motion, second by Trustee Paul Gersewski to move forward with the purchase of a used 2020 light rescue emergency unit, F- Series, 550XL, Vin# 1FDOW5HT7LEC48923 from Belvidere Fire Department. The purchase price agreed on is \$ 210,000.00, with the township willing to use \$ 102,780.38 available funds and financing the remaining \$107,219.62 with Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union under terms preciously discussed. Supervisor Todd Precord and Clerk Susan Thomson will be signing the loan documents on behalf of the Long Rapids Township. Ayes: Supervisor Todd Precord, Trustee Paul Gersewski, Trustee Susan MacArthur, Treasurer Wendy McDonald & Clerk Susan Thomson. Nays: None.

Resolution: Trustee Paul Gersewski made the motion, second by Trustee Susan MacArthur to adopt the resolution with required revisions. Ayes: Supervisor Todd Precord, Trustee Paul Gersewski, Trustee Susan MacArthur, Treasurer Wendy Johnson and Clerk Susan Thomson. Nays: None.

Adjournment: Trustee Paul Gersewski, made the motion, second by Trustee Susan MacArthur to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

(M.) Susan Thomson, Clerk