

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
March 09, 2023

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 Meeting Room, 5310 M-65 N., Lachine, Michigan, 49753.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Public Comment: Brandon MacArthur attended the meeting with questions about property lines on Arthur Rd. He purchased the property and had some questions regarding the lines and dividing it with a neighbor. The board could not answer the questions and our attorney suggested he call her office and she would assist him with his questions.

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: \$ 328,668.68*, Checking Account: \$ 145,364.37*, Cemetery Fund: \$ 31,571.86*, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,461.30*, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,375.24*, Property Tax Account: \$312,327.40. (*means an estimate, February bank statements have not been received as of yet.) Motion by Gersewski, second by MacArthur to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson, & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: February, 2023 Report: Revenue: \$ 128,241.53 and Expenses: \$ 16,270.45. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: None.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: Getting quotes for the treatment of the weed that will overtake the grounds, if not treated.

Fire Department: Ass't Fire Chief, Tom Spaulding: The department had 9 EMS calls and 1 call for down power lines. Members of the department have started to look ahead at MIOSHA and NFPA requirements that will affect equipment and gear replacement. Our monthly meeting will be next week, so there is very little to report. (Report attached.)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: Discussion on zoning regarding outside wood

furnaces. This type of furnace is becoming more popular to people as a heating system for their homes.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: ELEVATOR: *Mandatory test/elevator/Otis Elevator needs to be on our radar*. ROOF: Tom is concerned about the roof of the hall, we should have it checked, just to be sure it is in good condition. INTERNET INSTALLATION: After some discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to have the internet installed and completed by AllBand with a monthly charge of \$59.95 + \$10.00 rental fee for the router. This was the quote given to Precord. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Seminars: None.

Roads: No new updates. Precord will be taking a ride with Curt Gonyea, Manager of Alpena County Road Commission to look at possible road work within our township next week.

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

New Business: RECYCLING: Committee is asking for contributions/donations from each municipality to help with the cost of cleanup day in May. After some discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to give \$500.00 towards the cost of the recycling clean-up day. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Ayes: None. BOARD OF REVIEW: BOR Resolution for Residents to Protest in Writing: MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to adopt and sign the resolution. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None. Thomson will send a copy to our assessor to have on file. BUDGET WORKSHOP: The budget workshop will be done Saturday, March 25, 2023. PUBLIC HEARING/TRUTH IN TAXATION: The date of the hearing will be Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Public Comment: None

Monthly Bills: Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to pay 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 7:56 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M. Susan Thomson, Clerk