

Long Rapids Township  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
April 13, 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 Kristi VanMassenhove was 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 MacArthur, second by Gersewski to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 328,743.67, Checking Account: \$ 149,013.36, Cemetery Fund: \$ 31,579.13, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,466.02, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,378.55, Property Tax Account: \$23,229.31. 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: April, 2023 Report: Revenue: \$ 00.00 and Expenses: \$29,734.92. (Full, complete April, 2023 report will be in May, 2023 minutes). Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Resident letter/concerns regarding Bean Creek Rd., and Lappan Agency letter regarding insurance changes /considerations. (Discussion next month regarding possible changes or not)

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: WEED TREATMENT QUOTES DECISION: After a discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to accept Company One Spray Service/Broadleaf Weed Proposal for the weed control and grubs control for the spring and option for a fall application, if necessary, after 09/05/2023. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Fire Department: Fire Chief, Darin Himes: The department had 12 EMS calls and 1 fire call for March, 2023. NEW MEMBERS OF DEPARTMENT: Two local residents are interested in becoming members of the department. Erik Wong and Jesse Mischloney submitted their applications, all background checks have been taken care of, they attended the last fire department

meeting and the membership voted to bring them on board. Chief Himes recommends the board of trustees approve their applications, then he will begin planning for all required training. After a discussion, Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to accept the two applications to the fire department. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. COST RECOVERY PROGRAM: Chief Himes presented the idea of putting in place a program for reimbursement of resident fire calls to the resident's insurance company. Attorney VanMassenhove will look at fee structures/schedules for cost recovery programs and bring back to the board at our next month's meeting. RESIGNATIONS: Greg Durdik has submitted his letter of resignation to the department. Andy Perrin and Billy Himes will soon be submitting their letters of resignation also. (Report attached.)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: No new business.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: INTERNET INSTALLATION: The internet has been installed. RENTAL RESERVATIONS: 3 bookings and 1 church reservation thus far for the year.

Seminars: Cemetery Management Seminar & Breaking Zoning Code Seminar: MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to pay all expenses for any member that would like to attend the Zoning Code Seminar and authorize Tom Spaulding to attend the Cemetery Management Seminar if he elects to go. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson and Thomson. Naves: None.

Roads: Road Agreement Updates: MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to accept the road projects for 2023. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. (Projects attached)

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: No updates. WEBSITE: Website address is: [longrapidstownship.org](http://longrapidstownship.org).

New Business: MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE: Gersewski made the motion, seconded by MacArthur to keep the meeting schedule the same: second Thursday of each month at the fire hall at 7:00 p.m. BOARD OF REVIEW: RESOLUTION to SET an ALTERNATE DATE for the MARCH BOR and the ALTERNATE DATE for the JULY & DECEMBER BOR. Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to adopt the alternate date for the March BOR and the alternate date for the July and December BOR Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Monthly Bills: MacArthur made the motion, second by Gersewski to pay 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 8:10 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted: M. Susan Thomson, Clerk