

Long Rapids Township  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
December 14, 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: None.

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

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

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 372,254.92, Checking Account: \$ 72,075.59, Cemetery Fund: \$ 44,877.17, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,507.10, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,407.42, Property Tax Account: \$16,664.66. 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: November, 2023 Report: Revenue: \$ 30,576.00 and Expenses: \$ 21,501.72. Motion by Gersewski, second by MacArthur to accept the report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: None.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: Cemetery is closed for the season. A new light has been installed under the flagpole.

Fire Department: Fire Chief, Darin Himes - EMS Calls - 15, and Fire Calls – 1 structural fire & 1 vehicle fire during the month of November, 2023. TURNOUT GEAR/GRANT-STATE OF MICHIGAN: Turnout gear and helmets have been ordered and the reimbursement request for the \$10,000/00 from the state grant has been submitted. The boots have arrived. DNR Grant: No news as of yet. LEGACY GRANT: Paperwork has been submitted for \$2000.00 and if approved, it will be used for scene safety lighting/helmet lights. COMMUNITY FOUNDATION of NORTHEAST MICHIGAN GRANT: Dan Marsh is working on the impact grant application, if awarded, it will be used for personal thermal imaging devices. They would be used during interior attack operations for structure fires. BY-LAWS of F/D: Department is working on updating the by-laws. MFR CLASS: Three members are registered for class beginning in January, 2024.

The county will reimburse us for the cost once the class is completed. (\$2325.00) (See attached report)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: The decision was made to not update our master plan at this time. A new member was welcomed to the team, Tom Torsch. Tom stated that Vicki and Tom should plan on attending a basic planning commission seminar.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: HALL ROOF: After some discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to pursue Doyle Roofing/Cheboygan, Michigan to repair the roof. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Seminars: Board of Review-no interest due to our board of review members attending one that was presented by our assessor earlier this year.

Roads: No new updates.

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

New Business: 2024 Poverty Guidelines Resolution: MacArthur made the motion, second by Gersewski to adopt the state guidelines resolution, which includes the asset testing. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None. SUMMER TAX COLLECTION/Intermediate School District: MacArthur made the motion, second by Gersewski to not accept the request for summer tax collection. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

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 7:53 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M Susan Thomson, Clerk

Thursday, January 4, 2024

## AREA CEMETERY GRAVESITE COST COMPARISONS

### LONG RAPIDS/WELLINGTON TWPS.

- RESIDENT           \$25 for one gravesite, (plus Perpetual Care \$125) = \$150
- NON RESIDENT   \$50 for one gravesite, (plus Perpetual Care \$125)= \$175

### MAPLE RIDGE TWP.

- RESIDENT           \$200 for one gravesite (no Perpetual Care cost) =\$200
- NON RESIDENT   \$400 for one gravesite (no Perpetual Care cost) =\$400

### WILSON TWP.

- RESIDENT           \$200 for one gravesite (no Perpetual Care cost) =\$200
- NON RESIDENT.   \$500 for one gravesite (no Perpetual Care cost) =\$500

### GREEN TWP.

- RESIDENT.           \$250 for one gravesite (no Perpetual Care cost) =\$250
- NON RESIDENT   \$250 for one gravesite (no Perpetual Care cost) =\$250

\* NO COST DIFFERENCE FOR CREMATION GRAVESITES.

\* IF BUYER OF GRAVESITE IS NOT A RESIDENT OF LONG RAPIDS TWP ~~OR WELLINGTON TWP~~, BUT OWNS PROPERTY AND PAYS TAXES IN ~~EITHER OF THESE TWO TWPS~~, THEY COME UNDER "RESIDENT" STATUS.