

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
November 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, Treasurer Johnson & Clerk Thomson. Trustee MacArthur was absent. Attorney Erin Kane was present.

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

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

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 341,507.74*, Checking Account: \$ 82,395.60*, Cemetery Fund: \$ 44,854.68*, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,496.82*, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,400.20*, Property Tax Account: \$14,458.43*. Motion by Gersewski, second by Precord to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: October, 2023 Report: Revenue: \$ 2277.00 and Expenses: \$ 15,763.40. Motion by Gersewski, second by Johnson to accept the report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Gift of \$10,000.00 memorial monies received for the fire department. Thank you received from Tom Spaulding and Alane Wills for thinking of them during the difficult time of loss of Tom's son. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with them.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: Preparations are completed for the season closing.

Fire Department: Fire Chief, Darin Himes absent – Ass't Tom Spaulding gave monthly report and update. EMS Calls - 11, and Fire Calls - 0 during the month of October, 2023. PUBLIC OUTREACH: As a continuation of our outreach, Ethan Himes and Jesse Mischloney participated in the Wilson School's Trunk or Treat with Engine 1 truck. Thank you to their families for supplying the candy for the event. ANNUAL PUMPER TRAINING: Performed an evolution with our new water supply plan. This utilized the equipment that was all purchased with grant funds. MFR CLASS: Alpena City Fire will be conducting a class beginning January, 2023. We anticipate two, possibly three of our firefighters to sign up for the class. There will be upfront registration fees, however, we can request reimbursement from the county for the training. TURNOUT GEAR/GRANT-STATE OF MICHIGAN: We recently received a \$10,000.00 grant for turnout gear and this project is moving fast due to a completion date of 12/28/23. We will be

getting two complete sets of Morning Pride gear and eight additional helmets. We hope the state will continue this opportunity for the next few years. (See attached report)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: No update.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: HALL ROOF: Tom has made calls trying to get some cost projections for the roof repair. No one has called him back. Supv. Precord has made some calls and has not heard back either. He will continue to reach out to his contacts.

Seminars: None.

Roads: No new updates.

Old Business: BLIGHT: Discussion on continuing blight issues in the township.
PARKS/RECREATION: No new business. WEBSITE: Website address is:
longrapidstownship.org.

New Business: Clerk Thomson gave an update on election news, the election class that Beckie Thomson and her attended at Alpena Township. It is mass confusion. The "ballot box" should be coming soon. It will need to be installed. There has not been any more information released regarding what kind of security cameras are going to be required.

Public Comment: None.

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

Adjournment: Gersewski made the motion, second by Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M Susan Thomson, Clerk