

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
October 12, 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 MacArthur, Treasurer Johnson & Clerk Thomson. Trustee Gersewski was absent. Attorney Erin Kane was present.

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

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

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 339,230.74, Checking Account: \$ 98,497.72, Cemetery Fund: \$ 44,854.68, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,496.82, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,400.20, Property Tax Account: \$98,323.04. Motion by MacArthur, second by Precord to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: September, 2023 Report: Revenue: \$ 18,078.00 and Expenses: \$ 37,909.43. Motion by MacArthur, second by Johnson to accept the report as presented. Ayes: Precord, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: None.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: Tom did some research with other townships in the county regarding size regulations of the memorial stones. After a discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Johnson to adopt the new sizes and have them added to our cemetery regulations. Motion carried.

Fire Department: Fire Chief, Darin Himes: EMS Calls - 14, and Fire Calls - 0 during the month of September. ENGINE 1: The fuel pump has been repaired by R&R. Also, should be receiving a quote for seal and gasket replacement on the hydraulic pump. (Darin is going to ask the Ford dealership/Flushing for possible reimbursement for this repair, see report for explanation). MABIS AGREEMENT: The project is moving forward. The county has put their seal on it and our agreement will be submitted to the state level. The next step will be to build our box cards. This will be a lot of work and looking forward to great participation from our department building the program. FIREFIGHTERS and FRIENDS KIDS DAY: Was a huge success and thank you to everyone who assisted with the event. We look forward to planning it next year. FIREFIGHTER APPLICATION: Cade MacArthur attended the monthly meeting and the

department voted him back on to the department. No action was necessary by the township board because Cade did not resign from the department prior to active duty in the Air Force.

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: MASTER PLAN: After some discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Precord to not update our plan. Motion carried. APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD: Tom Torsch was appointed to the commission. Richard Kraft has stepped down after many years of service and we thank him for his years of service.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: Rentals-3 thus far for the balance of the year. HALL ROOF: Tom has noticed some tears in the roof. This should be repaired. MacArthur made the motion, seconded by Johnson to authorize Tom to get some bids for the repairs. Motion carried.

Seminars: None.

Roads: No new updates.

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

New Business: AUDITOR RECOMMENDATION, BUDGET LINE ITEM: Fire Department-Capital Expenditures line item on the budget should have a certain dollar value and be consistent. The clerk explained what the accountant meant and after some discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Johnson to have the line item be at least \$2500 or more with capital expenditures. (This will also be on record in the minutes.) Ayes: Precord, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION: Attorney Kane is researching and going to get back to us.

Public Comment: None.

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

Adjournment: MacArthur made the motion, second by Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M Susan Thomson, Clerk