

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
April 11, 2024

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 MacArthur to approve the Budget Public Hearing minutes and the regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: General Fund: \$ 475,436.97, Checking Account: \$ 55,233.32, Cemetery Fund: \$ 45,647.58, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,527.62, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,421.84, Property Tax Account: \$12,793.99. 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: April, 2024 Report: Presented a copy of the approved budget to all members of the board.

Correspondence: NMMMA requesting funds to assist with the county-wide cleanup days. After a brief discussion, we will contribute \$750.00 and it will be approved with the monthly bills.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: No new updates. Two burials have been done. Precord will call for the porta-potty to be dropped off for the season.

Fire Department: Fire Chief - Darin Himes EMS Calls - 9, and Fire Calls - 1. No other calls. Department update: The personal inferred cameras have been received. The cameras were purchased, in part, with funding from the Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan Impact Grant. TRAINING: Two of our firemen have enrolled in instructor training. This is a prerequisite for officer training. TURNOUT GEAR: Some of the items have started to arrive and the gear purchase is made possible by the DNR matching grant from 2023. DEPARTMENT PICNIC: Picnic is planned for July 13, 2024. (Monthly highlights report attached.)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: No new updates.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: HALL ROOF: Roof is leaking again and has damaged the ceiling repairs that Tom had completed. He will contact the company that done the repairs and make them aware of the leaks and ask them what they can do. WATER LINE REPAIR: After some discussion, MacArthur made the motion, supported by Gersewski to have Wozniak Excavating repair the water line in the driveway at a cost of \$1750.00. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None.

Seminars: None.

Roads: CHLORIDE PROGRAM: Received the letter regarding chloride prices for 2024 and the dust control agreement. The dust control program is a mix of chloride and brine at a cost of \$31,500. Motion made by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to approve the dust control. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. ROAD CONTRACTS: MacArthur made the motion, second by Gersewski to remove Spens Rd and do the Salina Rd. at 5500 in length, about 1.04 mile with gravel. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: No new business. WEBSITE: Website address is: longrapidtownship.org. BLIGHT ORDINANCE: Will address next month.

New Business: Berg Contract-Advanced Assessing Services, Inc. – Change of name and therefore we need to sign a new contract with the new name on file. MacArthur made the motion, support by Gersewski to accept contract for Advanced Assessing Services, Inc.

Public Comment:

Monthly Bills: MacArthur made the motion, seconded 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 8:21 p. m. REOPEN MEETING: Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to reopen the meeting to act on NMMMA unfinished business. The NMMMA is requesting a donation from each township to help pay the “cleanup day’s” expenses. They are suggesting at least \$500 and hoping for \$1000 donation from each township. After a short discussion, Gersewski made the motion, seconded by MacArthur to donate \$750 to NMMMA for cleanup day’s expenses. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson, & Thomson. Naves: None. With no further business, MacArthur made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gersewski seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M Susan Thomson, Clerk