

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
Januarr 09, 2025

The regular meeting of the Long Rapids Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Todd 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 Ritter, Treasurer Johnson & Clerk Thomson. Attorney Erin Kane was present.

Public Comment: None.

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

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

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: The following report is only approximate as the bank statements have not been received to date: General Fund: \$ 320,551.53, Checking Account: \$ 159,605.54, Cemetery Fund: \$ 49,414.29, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,568.07, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,450.25, Property Tax Account: \$75,260.92. Motion by Gersewski, second by Ritter to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: December, 2024: Revenue: \$ 27,288.00 and Expenses: \$ 42,476.81. Motion made by Ritter, second by Gersewski to accept the budget report as given: Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Congratulations Letter received from Assured Partners regarding another "WorkSafe year". We received a dividend check for the workers compensation group program.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: We have 3 burials coming up this spring when the cemetery opens back up.

Fire Department: Fire Chief - Darin Himes EMS Calls - 8, FIRES: 2 DNR GRANT: Received notice of the grant and Chief Himes would like to get "3" more sets of turn out gear with the funds. Chief Himes gave a recap summary report of the year. NEW ACTIVITY: Acting as chauffer to "good ole Saint Nick on Christmas Eve". Chief Himes escorted the Jolly Fella to Grace Episcopal Church, Community of Christ Church and First Congregation Church. Our little elves were William MacArthur and Ethan Himes. Kathy Himes was the photographer. Thank you to all of you that were involved and volunteered your time to give back to the community. (Summary Report Attached)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: Tom researched and found out that 2 board members can serve on the planning commission board, therefore we are all set.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: No new business.

Seminars: There is new officer training available in January, 2025. Vicki Ritter plans to attend. Alex Krajniak and Chuck Burrone plan to attend the BOR training that is coming up soon.

Roads: No updates.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: WEBSITE: Website address is: longrapidstownship.org. BLIGHT ORDINANCE: Gersewski will be visiting another site on Salina Road, (camper being used as residence?). PRESQUE ISLE FIBER-OPTIC RESOLUTION-Erin Kane: Reviewed the resolution and stated that it was all set for the board to take action with the resolution as presented/written. After some discussion, Ritter made the motion to adopt the fiber-optic resolution, Gersewski supported the motion. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

RECYCLING: Thomson - New manager taking over the everyday responsibilities and getting settled with his new position.

New Business: None.

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

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: Ritter made the motion, second by Gersewski to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted: M. Susan Thomson, Clerk