

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
June 09, 2022

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 MacArthur, Treasurer Johnson & Clerk Thomson. Robert Kane, Attorney was present.

Public Comment: None.

Agenda Approval: Motion by Gersewski, second by MacArthur 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: \$ 544,656.26, Checking Account: \$ 25,456.23, Cemetery Fund: \$ 23,063.20, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,430.00, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,353.25, Property Tax Account: \$ 3,140.25. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski, to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: May, 2022 Report: Revenue: \$19,858.96 and Expenses: \$ 17,372.46. Motion by MacArthur, second by Gersewski to accept the report as given. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None.

Correspondence: None.

Cemetery Report: SEXTON AND ASSISTANT SEXTON: Tom Spaulding and Alane Wills applied for the positions that were available as sexton and ass't sexton. After some discussion by the board, a motion was made by MacArthur & supported by Gersewski to accept Tom Spaulding as the sexton and Alane Wills as the Ass't Seston. Their duties will be the mowing, trimming, and the marking of the graves. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson, & Thomson. Naves: None. Supervisor Precord will continue to do the necessary recordkeeping/bookkeeping of the files.

Fire Department: Chief Darin Himes: During the month of May, 2022, we had 7 EMS calls, 1 structural fire, 1 mutual aid fire investigation and 1 standby for the forest fire in Montmorency County. FEMA Grant Update: We continue to watch for the FEMA grant updates. PUMPER TRAINING: The department held regular pumper training at the fire hall on 06/05/22. This is an annual requirement for our firefighters. PICNIC REMINDER: July 16th the

firemen's picnic is at the hall. The chicken will be done by Darin, the side dishes will be catered, with exception of desserts. they will be provided by members of the department. RSVP's by 07/08/22. APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBER: Pending at this time only. 911 GRANT MONIES: Monies are available to each township for communication equipment purchases. It is \$3900 and our match would be \$3889.00. This would be sufficient funds to purchase: 1 mobile radio, 1 hand held radio, and 1 pager. Chief would like 2 pagers, so there would be an extra pager available, if necessary. After a discussion by the board, Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to approve the purchase of 1 mobile radio, 1 hand held radio, and 2 pagers. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. DNR GRANT: Chief said we will need 2 sets of turnout gear and he would like to apply for a grant thru DNR. After a discussion, Gersewski made the motion, supported by MacArthur to apply for the grant. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. (Up to \$3600, our portion.) COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT & LEGACY GRANT: Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to approve Chief Himes to pursue a grant thru each of the organizations. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT/ECHO UNIT-Advanced Life Support Services: After a discussion, Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to approve the addendum to the agreement. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Naves: None. (Report attached.)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: Arlen & Tom attended a seminar in Gaylord and found it to be informative and educational. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Tom and Arlen learned that it is a requirement for the township to have a Board of Appeals. Arlen Wallace has volunteered and we will need 2 more members. Airbnb: Tom received a phone call from a woman who owns property on Graham Rd and is asking what she needs to do to rent her home out as an airbnb. Tom knows she will need a special use permit.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: Gave an update on rentals, there are 2 during the month of June and 1 in August. Pickleball is being played 3 times a week.

Seminars: None.

Roads: Tom stated Bagley Street Bridge opened this afternoon. Yea! .

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: Dock is in. WEBSITE: MacArthur will update the new zoning fees on the website. Website address is: longrapidstowship.org.

New Business: CEMETERY PORTA POTTY: Precord will talk with Hall's about cemetery porta potty. It does not need to be serviced weekly. SECURITY/VOTING MACHINES: Thomson stated that there needs to be better security w/ locks for the 2 voting machines. The state is choosing townships at random to visit and inspect the voting areas and how secure the buildings/machines are to prevent tampering. She will talk with Marty Thomson for suggestions on how we can make sure they are secured within locked cabinets.

Public Comment: None.

Monthly Bills: MacArthur made the motion, second by Gersewski to pay monthly bills and transfer \$3000.00 from Contingency to Printing/ Publishing. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, MacArthur, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Adjournment: Gersewski made the motion, second by MacArthur to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted:

M. Susan Thomson, Clerk