

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
March 13, 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: March, 2025 General Fund: \$360,423.72, Checking Account: \$ 84,729.31, Cemetery Fund: \$ 49,694.27, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,580.74, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,459.16, Property Tax Account: \$343,896.34. 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: February, 2025: Revenue: \$ 21,203.54 and Expenses: \$ 15,060.60. Motion made by Ritter, second by Gersewski to accept the budget report as given. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Letter from PIE&G regarding gas distribution rates.

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: No updates due to Tom's absence. He is recovering from knee surgery..

Fire Department: Fire Chief - Darin Himes EMS Calls - 15, & STRUCTURE FIRE - 1 - ECHO PARTNERS: Long Rapids will be hosting an Echo Partners Meeting at our station on March 25th, 2025. Chief Darin would like the consent of the board to propose quarterly payment requirements instead of annual payment requirements for the service. SCBA FLOW TESTING: The testing has been completed. MABAS PROGRAM: To meet the requirements, we will have to purchase new accountability tags for the department. TRAINING: Several firemen continuing their education that is required. ANNUAL PICNIC: The date has been set for the picnic and it will be 07/12/25.
(Summary Report Attached)

Planning Commission: Vicki Ritter: Approved 3 Air Bnb's and Chuck Burrone's was one of the three that was approved.

Township Hall: Tom Spaulding: No update available.

Seminars: Introduction to Planning & Zoning, May 21, 2025: Ritter made the motion, second by Gersewski to pay all costs/expenses for any member that would like to attend. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Roads: CHLORIDE CONTRACT ESTIMATE: After a discussion, Ritter made the motion, supported by Gersewski to sign the projected dust control program. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None. MAINTENANCE-ROAD MATCH: Our match monies this year will be \$31,878.00. A discussion regarding Hibner Rd and getting quotes for resurfacing the road.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: No updates. WEBSITE: Website address is: longrapidstownship.org. BLIGHT ORDINANCE: No new updates, all is quiet.

RECYCLING: Thomson gave an update of the meeting, Alpena County Commissioners will need to underwrite the bond issue before the recycling can move forward on the new building. Also, Northern Lights Arena may consider a partnership and let the bins remain where they are, will notify next month.

New Business:

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 7:29 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted: M. Susan Thomson, Clerk