

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
April 10, 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 not present.

Public Comment: Adrian MacArthur was present with a suggestion of resurfacing a few miles of Salina Rd. with blacktop. His suggestion was the township pay a third, the county pay a third and the property owners pay a third. This was recently done with Lake Winyah Rd., Alpena, Michigan and he really would like this done on his road that he resides, Salina Rd. The board will take it under consideration.

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: \$360,500.24., Checking Account: \$ 70,472.09, Cemetery Fund: \$ 49,704.82, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,585.11, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,462.23, Property Tax Account: \$176,670.58. Motion by Ritter, second by Gersewski, to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: April, 2025: Revenue: \$ -00- and Expenses: \$ 30,955.77. Motion made by Ritter, second by Gersewski to accept the budget report as given. The April Budget Report. 2025 will be presented again in May, 2025 due to budget report completed a month behind. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Thank you on clerk's voicemail from Kay Gonyea thanking the township board for allowing and participating with the use of the township hall as a shelter for the community during the recent ice storm emergency. Also, a voicemail and call from Michigan Storm Chasers regarding a delivery of grocery items on Saturday, 04/12/25 for the community that is in need.

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 - 3, & STRUCTURE FIRE – 1,
PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT- 1, FOREST FIRE-1, & DOWN POWER LINES-3

TRAINING: FIRE ACADEMY GRADUATION – Jesse Mischloney is graduating from the fire academy. This is exciting news! RESCUE 3 – R&R is working on the truck.
ICE STORM UPDATE: Please see the update attached to the minutes: ANNUAL
PICNIC: The date has been set for the picnic and it will be 07/12/25. (Summary Report Attached)

Planning Commission: None.

Township Hall: None:

Seminars: None.

Roads: Hibner Road was a discussion and will be discussed more at next month's meeting.

Old Business: PARKS/RECREATION: No updates. WEBSITE: Website address is: longrapidstownship.org. BLIGHT ORDINANCE: Standen Rd. is a concern and needs to be addressed sometime soon.

RECYCLING: Thomson gave an update regarding the meeting, Alpena County Commissioners have agreed to underwrite the bond so moving forward on the bond issue. This takes some time and much legal work. A home for the Alpena area bins continue to be an issue,

New Business: MEETING DATE/TOWNSHIP MEETINGS: Gersewski made the motion, second by Ritter to continue to meet at the same time, 7:00 p.m., and the second Thursday of the month at the fire hall meeting room. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: 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 7:50 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted: M. Susan Thomson, Clerk