

Long Rapids Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 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 present.

Public Comment: None.

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

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

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Johnson, Treasurer: July, 2025 General Fund: \$493,268.16, Checking Account: \$ 109,452.08, Cemetery Fund: \$ 50,160.86, Emergency Facility Bond Fund: \$20,597.94, Hall Restoration Bond Account: \$ 14,471.24, Property Tax Account: \$16,578.18. Motion by Gersewski, second by Ritter, to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ayes: Precord, Ritter, Gersewski, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Budget Report: Sue Thomson, Clerk: June, 2025: Revenue: \$ 30,286.57 and Expenses: \$25,593.98 Motion made by Ritter, second by Gersewski to accept the budget report as given. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Correspondence: Charter Communications: The renewal of franchise will be due and expiring May, 2028. The proper procedures will be submitted to our township as the date of expiration approaches Spring, 2028. (Letter attached) PRESQUE ISLE ELECTRIC&GAS CO-OP ELECTRIC FRANCHISE AGREEMENT-30 year: Ritter made the motion, second by Gersewski to approve the 30 year franchise ordinance. Ayes: Precord, Gersewski, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None. Thomson will mail the signed copy to PIE&G. (Copy of signed Ordinance attached)

Cemetery Report: Tom Spaulding: No burial update. Tom's assistance sexton wants to resign and Tom is actively looking for a replacement. He has someone in mind that he has talked with and is waiting to hear back from the person.

Fire Department: Fire Chief - Darin Himes EMS Calls-8, & Fire Calls-0, and 1 personal injury accident. DNR GRANT: The grant information has arrived for the 2025 DNR

Grant. Darin has submitted the grant paperwork for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.
SCBA's: Darin believes that the current SCBA's may be able to be refurbished and updated for a fraction of the cost for new replacements. He is going to continue with the research to get the best option possible to avoid costs for new replacements. ANNUAL PICNIC: The picnic is Sunday, 07/13/2025, and it will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will eat at 5:00 p.m. (Summary Report Attached)

Planning Commission: Tom Spaulding: No new updates. Ritter reminded everyone present to complete the survey that NEMCOG has suggested we offer to our residents.

Township Hall: Tom has been cleaning up the brush around the hall yard. He has the names of 2 companies that will complete the yard cleanup.

Seminars: None.

Roads:

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

RECYCLING: Thomson stated there was not any updates because the June meeting was canceled.

New Business: EMERGENCY PLAN: Wish list has been extended until next Friday for our township to complete and turn in. ICE STORM CERTIFICATE: Todd announced and displayed the certificate that the fire department and township board received as a "special tribute" from the county. RESIGNATION: Paul Gersewski stated that he was officially resigning as trustee of our board effective Thursday evening, 07/10/25. His written resignation was accepted with a motion by Ritter, supported by Johnson. Ayes: Precord, Ritter, Johnson & Thomson. Nays: None.

Monthly Bills: Ritter made the motion, supported by Johnson 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 7:30 p. m.

Respectfully Submitted: M. Susan Thomson, Clerk

Long Rapids Township
Special Meeting
July 22, 2025

The special meeting of the Long Rapids Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Todd Precord at 7:00 p.m. 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 Ritter, Treasurer Johnson and Clerk Thomson. Attorney Erinn Kane was present.

Public Comment: None.

Personnel Issue-Trustee position available due to Trustee Gersewski resigning at our regular, monthly meeting on July 10, 2025 just before the meeting was adjourned. There was a short discussion on how to proceed with the appointment. The person chosen to fill the vacancy will hold the trustee office until January, 2028. Ritter made the motion, supported by Johnson to advertise the vacancy of the trustee position in the Alpena News for one day. Ayes: Precord, Ritter, Johnson and Thomson. Nays: None.

The township board will consider applicants at our next monthly meeting on August 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Ritter made the motion to adjourn. Johnson supported the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

M. Susan Thomson, Clerk