



Regular Board Minutes April 15, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Hale called the meeting to order in the Lowell Township Hall, 2910 Alden Nash SE, Lowell, MI at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL: Present: Hale, Burtt, Benedict, Anderson, Blough, Thompson, Vanderziel
Absent: None

AGENDA APPROVAL – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Blough to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of New Business Item #8, New Phone System. Motion carried.

MINUTES – Motion by Blough, seconded by Anderson to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of March 18, 2019. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Motion by Burtt, seconded by Thompson to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – PAYROLL – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to pay the accounts payables and payroll as presented. Accounts payable checks 12666-12695 for \$90,812.16 and payroll checks 2482-2526, totaling \$25,081.33. Motion carried.

REPORTS – Ordinance Enforcement, Fire Authority, Water & Sewer reports submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Citizen concerned with Cumberland Ridge easement for Phase 1 and an expired Right to Expand clause. Citizen has zoning concerns for 1562 Cumberland Ave.

OLD BUSINESS

North Park – Update – Dan Fredericks from LRE gave a bridge update. Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to approve pay app #8 for \$85,000 to AnLaan. Motion carried.

Vacant Property – 1562 Cumberland Ave - Motion by Vanderziel, seconded by Anderson to authorize the Supervisor to hire a real estate agent to list 1562 Cumberland Ave. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Merriman Cemetery Fencing Quote – No action taken.

New Standards For Sewer Specifications - Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to authorize Infrastructure Alternatives to update our sewer and water standards with the cost not to exceed \$3,000. Motion carried.

Chipseal Work For Emery & Lowell View – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Anderson to chip-seal Emery Dr from Lowell View Dr to Segwun Ave for \$10,000 and to chip-seal Lowell View Dr, south of Grand River Dr for \$25,000. Motion carried.

Sewer Plant Expansion – Meetings are currently being held between the City of Lowell and Lowell Charter Township discussing the possibility of creating a Wastewater and Water Authority.

Fee Schedules – ZBA Meeting Fee – Planning Commission Requested Special Meeting Fee – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Benedict to change the ZBA hearing fee to \$500, and to add a Planning Commission requested meeting fee of \$500. Also, add a ZBA appeal hearing escrow in the amount up to \$1,000, with a clause stating; *Escrow amount may be adjusted as needed. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-08 – Support of the Grand River Water Trail – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Anderson to adopt resolution 2019-08. Motion carried.

Crop Stubble Burning – No action was taken.

New Phone System – Motion by Vanderziel, seconded by Anderson to authorize Township staff to purchase an office phone system for the best deal possible. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Vanderziel, seconded by Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Motion carried.

Monica Burt, Clerk

Jerry Hale, Supervisor