



Regular Board Minutes Monday, April 19, 2021

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, Vanderziel, Anderson, Blough, Thompson
Absent: None

AGENDA APPROVAL – Motion by Vanderziel, seconded by Blough to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Benedict to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of March 15, 2021, as presented. Motion carried.

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

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE / PAYROLL – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to approve payment of the accounts payable and payroll checks as presented. Accounts payable checks 13741 - 13779 for \$ 125,940.28 and the March payroll checks. Motion carried.

REPORTS – Zoning Enforcement. Update on Community Center from Kurt Schenk and Bob Roberts. Fire Authority update from Deputy Fire Chief Velzen presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Wenger is concerned with the citations being issued at 12400 Grand River Drive.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Disc Golf at Grand Riverfront Park – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to authorize the Supervisor to sign the engineering contract with LRE. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Adoption of Ordinance 01-2021 for Reformatted Zoning Ordinance – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Burtt to adopt ordinance 01-2021. Motion carried.

Adoption of Ordinance 02-2021 for I-96 PUD Ordinance Amendment - Motion by Thompson, seconded by Anderson to adopt ordinance 02-2021 with minor changes as identified. Motion carried.

Appoint Greg Forde to the Planning Commission for a Partial Term Until July 2022 – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to appoint Greg Forde for a partial term to the Planning Commission until July 2022. (Benedict and Burtt voted nay). Motion carried 5-2.

Appoint David Hoogenboom to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Partial Term Until March 2023 – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Benedict to appoint David Hoogenboom to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a partial term until March 2023. Motion carried.

Reappoint Mary Jo Bieri to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3-year Term Until March 2024 – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Benedict to reappoint Mary Jo Bieri to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3-year term until March 2024. Motion carried.

iCompass Meeting Management Software Proposal – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Anderson to purchase the iCompass Management Software. Motion carried.

Cost Recovery Ordinance for the Lowell Fire Authority – The board will ask the attorney to amend the shorter-version ordinance to include water rescue attempt, and to designate the Township Board of Trustees the authority to decide on billing waivers or billing modifications. The ordinance will then be brought to the board for approval.

Approve Fee Schedule Update for Cemetery Price Increases – Motion by Blough, seconded by Benedict to approve the new fee schedule for cemetery prices. Motion carried.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS – Millage Rate comparisons for Kent County.

Impact Church is asking for Love week projects to do in the township June 21st - 25th. The Board will suggest projects at the North and South parks and the M-DOT park-and-ride. Arbor Foundation is accepting applications for \$2,000 grants towards the purchase of trees.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Vanderziel, seconded by Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Monica Burtt, Clerk

Jerry Hale, Supervisor