



Regular Board Minutes August 20, 2018

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

ROLL CALL: Present: Benedict, Anderson, Blough, Thompson, Vanderziel
Absent: Hale, Burt

Motion by Benedict, seconded by Anderson to have Bill Thompson chair the meeting. Motion carried.

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

MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING – JULY 30, 2018 – Motion by Anderson, seconded by Benedict to approve the minutes of the special board meeting July 30, 2018, as amended. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Motion by Anderson, seconded by Vanderziel to accept the treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – PAYROLL – Motion by Vanderziel, seconded by Blough to authorize payment of accounts payable checks 12287-12346 for \$343,352.77. Future authorization payment requests need to be accompanied by invoice detail. Motion carried.
Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to authorize payroll checks 2302 – 2328, totaling \$24,610.04 as presented. Motion carried.

REPORTS – ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT AND FIRE AUTHORITY – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to recommend to the Fire Authority that the accounting, bill paying, payroll functions continued to be performed by an independent third party. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – Fred Meijer River Valley Rail-Trails – Anderson gave an update on the trails. LARA is working on securing financial support. Oct 8th is the MDOT deadline.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

OLD BUSINESS

North Park Project Update – Anlaan is expecting to start pier construction after Labor Day. The bridge has not been delivered yet. Board discussed Pickle ball courts having cracks in the concrete and the grass areas having a lot of weeds in them.

NEW BUSINESS

Assessor's Contract – Motion by Thompson, seconded by Vanderziel to authorize the Supervisor and the Clerk to sign the Assessor, Marla Platt's contract for assessing services for September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2019, with a \$0.50 per parcel increase. Motion carried.

Easement Agreement with LL&P Thru Both North & South Park – Motion by Vanderziel, seconded by Anderson to authorize the Supervisor to negotiate with LL&P for this crossing and easement in return for power needs that the township may have at the bridge. Motion carried.

Temporary Vendors Permit – No action was taken on this item.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: September 17, 2018

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Anderson, seconded by Vanderziel to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Motion carried.

Monica Burtt, Clerk

Jerry Hale, Supervisor

Recording Secretary,
Deputy Clerk, Angie Wilcox