



Regular Meeting Minutes October 16, 2017

Present: Hale, Benedict, Burt, Anderson, Blough, Thompson, Vanderziel

Absent: None

Also in attendance - 2 Citizens

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

AGENDA APPROVAL – Thompson moved, Blough seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Anderson arrived at 7:05 pm.

MINUTES – Thompson moved, Benedict seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting September 21, 2017, as amended. Motion carried.

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

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - PAYROLL – Thompson moved, Vanderziel seconded, to approve payment of accounts payable totaling \$127,841.51, Checks 11894-11933, and Payroll totaling \$17,395.90, Checks 2052-2079. Motion carried.

REPORTS - The Ordinance Enforcement Officer and the Lowell Area Fire Authority submitted written reports. Kent District Library Representatives were present and provided information on services they offer.

CORRESPONDENCE – The Kent County Road Commission will hold their annual meeting on November 9, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS

North Park Update – Dan Fredericks from Land & Resource was present to review the progress on the North Park project and Grand River Bridge project timeline. The topographic survey is complete, and SME completed the soil borings on October 13, 2017. Also discussed, was the tentative date of November 2017, for completion of the preliminary bridge design plans, and when the installation of the service road at the North Park location should begin, to allow access to the construction site.

Western Wood Structures Visit Report - Steve Vanderziel, Township Trustee, presented a report from his visit to Western Wood Structures in Portland, Oregon. The meeting he attended was informative and productive. He highly recommends doing business with WWS. He reviewed items to consider for later decisions; wood treatment to be used to seal the bridge; solid or wire handrails; and wood or cement approaches to the bridge. The Board discussed a preliminary

timeline for the bridge regarding engineering of load reactions, bid packages, and delivery dates.

Letter of Intent - Thompson moved, Anderson seconded, to authorize the Supervisor to submit a letter of intent to Western Woods Structures, to purchase a glued-laminated pedestrian bridge to span the Grand River. Motion carried.

Payment Application Approval - Thompson moved, Vanderziel seconded, to approve Payment Application No. 1, for North Grand River Park - Phase III for \$42,591.60 to Groundhawg Excavating, LLC. Motion carried.

Home Based Business Zoning Ordinance Amendments 03Z-2017 - Thompson moved, Vanderziel seconded, to adopt Zoning Ordinance Amendments 03Z-2017, regarding home-based businesses and home occupations with a correction to Section 6.

Ayes: Hale, Burt, Benedict, Anderson, Blough, Thompson, Vanderziel

Nays: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Tank Contract - Thompson moved, Benedict seconded, to approve the annual service agreement with Aegion Corrpro, for the Foreman Road water storage tank for \$910.00. Motion carried.

Re-Appointment to Kent District Library - Thompson moved, Vanderziel seconded, to re-appoint Charles Myers to the (KDL) Board of Trustees. Motion carried.

Snowplowing Contract 2017-2018 - Thompson moved, Burt seconded, to award the snowplowing contract for the 2017-2018 season to Woods Landscaping for \$3,625.00. Motion carried

Kissing Rock Estates Site Condominium Plan - Supervisor Hale noted, a change was made to the Master Deed to reference the development as having 11 units. Don DeGroot from Exxel Engineering gave an overview of future development plans for Kissing Rock Estates, with assistance from David Rapp, Owner Representative. After discussion, Vanderziel moved, Anderson seconded, to approve the Kissing Rock Estates Site Condominium Plan.

Ayes: Hale, Burt, Benedict, Anderson, Blough, Thompson, Vanderziel

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Resolution 2017-09 - For Collection of Payments Over/Under - Vanderziel moved, Anderson seconded, to adopt Resolution 2017-09 for the collection of payments over/under \$4.99.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - Ms. Venneman of 3050 Segwun Ave, shared her concerns about Mr. Timpson's trucking company dumping fill dirt on the adjacent property to hers.

Her concerns were:

- 1) Erosion and drainage issues
- 2) Truck traffic noise
- 3) Slamming truck gates when dumping

Board members encouraged her to contact the Kent County Road Commission to find out if a soil erosion permit was applied for. The permit is what regulates this type of activity. Supervisor Hale said, "He would have the Zoning Enforcer look into the issue."

ADJOURNMENT – Vanderziel moved, Anderson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.
Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting – November 20, 2017

Monica Burt, Clerk

Jerry Hale, Supervisor