

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2016**

Present: Hale, Regan, Benedict, Anderson, Thompson, Vandeziel

Absent: Blough

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 – Vanderziel moved, Thompson seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES – Anderson moved, Benedict seconded, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of August 4, 2016. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Thompson moved, Vanderziel seconded, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS – Thompson moved, Anderson seconded, to pay the special bills, holding the Hungerford payment until we receive the audit:

Bowne Township Treas	Fire	\$10,190.21
BS&A Software	Annual Support	\$1,045.00
City of Lowell	Water/Sewer	\$34,210.04
City of Lowell	Fire	\$33,832.50
Horians Lawn Care	Mowing	\$735.00
Hungerford, Nichols	Audit	\$3,000.00
Infrastructure Alternatives	Water/Sewer Op	\$4,306.50
Main Street Planning	Planning Svcs	\$2,447.54
West MI Tree	Park	\$1,650.00
Zach's Clean Cut	Park Playground Chips	\$3,083.33

Motion carried.

Vanderziel moved, Thompson seconded, the current bills be approved; General Fund - \$65,860.18; Sewer Fund - \$6,948.51; Park Fund - \$1,066.89; Water Fund - \$32,771.46; Check Nos. 11279-11339; Payroll Nos. 1722-1745. Motion carried.

REPORTS – The Ordinance Enforcement Officer, Fire Authority and KC Sheriff submitted reports.

CORRESPONDENCE - Information about 911 surcharge on November 2016 ballot. A letter from Kenneth Kesson, DEQ, in support of the Township preserving the oak savanna.

NORTH PARK PROJECT - Jerry Hale and Dan Fredricks, Land and Resource, are meeting with the MDEQ about funding for the bridge project.

ORDINANCES 04-2016 AND 05-2016 MINERAL MINING ORDINANCE - Dave Simmonds and Scott Edwards, Planning Commissioners, were present to review the proposed changes to the Ordinances for mineral mining. The ordinance change will affect the method of measuring noise. There was discussion about enforcement of ordinances and revising ordinances. Regan asked why the sign ordinance was being

revised again. After discussion about the proposed changes, Vanderziel moved, Anderson seconded, to advise the Planning Commission to stop working on the sign ordinance. Motion carried.

Thompson moved, Vanderziel seconded, to adopt Ordinance 04-2016 - Ayes: Hale, Regan, Benedict, Anderson, Thompson, Vanderziel; Nays - None. Motion carried. The Ordinance will become effective on August 31, 2016 Thompson moved, Anderson seconded, to adopt Ordinance 05-2016 - Ayes: Hale, Regan, Benedict, Anderson, Thompson, Vanderziel; Nays - None. Motion carried. This Ordinance will become effective on September 24, 2016.

RESOLUTION 2016-02 - Resolution 2016-02, MIA/POW Missing In Action Day, was reviewed. The Resolution declares September 16, 2016 as MIA/POW Prisoner of War-Missing In Action Recognition Day. Thompson moved, Vanderziel seconded, to adopt Resolution 2016-02. Motion carried.

ASSESSOR CONTRACT APPROVAL - Vanderziel moved, Thompson seconded, to renew the contract with the Assessor Marla Platt for another year. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT - No comments.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Charter Township of Lowell

Jerry Hale, Supervisor