

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 14, 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Lloyd, Tammy Beal, Les Andersen, Dan Lowe, Sandy Donovan, Bob Hanvey, and Greg Durbin

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Westmoreland, Spicer; John Gormley, Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The meeting is also available to attend online.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The board members introduced themselves.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Paul Giessner, W. Davis Road, introduced himself and said he is running for the Livingston County Board of Commissioners, District 5.

Dan Wholihan, 8162 Majestic Blvd., Fowlerville, said he was there on behalf of his wife, Kristina Lyke, who is running for 50th district state representative.

Steve Phillips, 1851 Fox Ridge, said he was there in support of paving Francis Road.

Jay Drick, 505 W. Caledonia St, is running for re-election to the Livingston County Board of Commissions, District 5.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Les Andersen motioned to approve the agenda. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Les Andersen motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

HAPRA RECREATION MASTER PLAN

Tim Church, HAPRA Executive Director, was present to ask for the board's support for the HAPRA Recreation Master Plan. The cost, split three ways with HAPRA and Oceola Township, would be roughly \$11,000 per unit.

Tammy Beal motioned to accept the proposal from HAPRA for a Recreation Master Plan with an estimated cost of \$11,000 per unit. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Lloyd—yes; Beal—yes; Lowe—no; Hanvey—yes; Durbin—yes; Andersen—yes; Donovan—yes. **Motion carried 6-1** (Lowe no.)

FRANCIS ROAD PAVING

Bob Hanvey provided the board members with estimates for the SAD project. Mr. Phillips said he's willing to go door-to-door to judge public opinion. The township will provide Mr. Phillips a list of affected property owners next week.

2024 MARION TOWNSHIP ROAD PROJECTS

For gravel roads, the board members would like to know what material was put on Cedar Lake Road and where it came from. They would also like more information on ditching on Davis Road and for the LCRC to define "limited drainage." Les Andersen motioned to have the Livingston County Road Commission provide two separate bids for Davis Road, one for crushed stone and one for berm removal and drainage. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

Les Andersen motioned to accept the estimates from the LCRC to cost-share Peavy Road (end of pavement to M-155 Mason Rd. to Sexton) for \$105,000; Norton Road (Burkhart to County Farm) for \$117,000; and Jewell Road (Cedar Lake Road to County Farm) for \$125,000. Tammy Beal seconded. Discussion: Scott Lloyd said that Jewell Road isn't that bad. Roll call vote: Durbin—yes; Donovan—yes; Hanvey—yes; Lloyd—no; Beal—yes; Andersen—yes; Lowe—yes. **Motion carried 6-1** (Lloyd no.)

2024 TOWNSHIP ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP PROPOSAL

Les Andersen motioned to accept the proposal from Gorski Hauling for \$3,650 for roadside clean-up, as presented. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Durbin, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

NUISANCE ORDINANCE

Bob Hanvey said that input was received from a resident after the deadline for the packet; he would like to postpone action on this item and include the information in the next board packet.

Dan Lowe will provide Bob Hanvey with a few sentences about show cause hearing procedures for the next board packet.

Greg Durbin motioned to postpone action on this item until the next board meeting. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried.**

FINAL REVIEW OF TXT #01-23 DATA PROCESSING FACILITIES

Les Andersen motioned to approve TXT #01-23 with the addition of industrial parks. Dan Lowe seconded. **Motion carried.**

NON-METERED SEWER USAGE RATE

Tammy Beal motioned to adopt a resolution to increase the non-metered sewer usage rate to \$108.80 per quarter, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey, Lowe, Durbin, Beal, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

LAKESIDE CEMETERY PLOT #298 W6 REPURCHASE

Les Andersen motion to approve the repurchase of Lot 298, Grave 6W in Lakeside Cemetery for \$300. Dan Lowe seconded. **Motion carried.**

ASSISTANT ASSESSOR CLASS APPROVAL

Sandy Donovan motioned to approve \$1,500 for the assistant assessor to attend the MAAO (level 3) class. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd, Durbin—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

MARION TOWNSHIP WALKING PATH

Phil Westmoreland reported that the bids will be opened on April 10 at 2 pm at township hall. The information will be provided to the clerk by noon on April 11 to be included in the April 18 board packet

MARION TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE

Tammy Beal updated the board members on the building project. Dan Lowe will inspect the large pine tree in front to see if it can be saved. Tammy also asked for help moving the bench in front of the building. The partition for the board room won't be in until June. The front of the building needs to be power washed.

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

Livingston County is hosting a brown bag lunch on “Back to Basics: Urban Forestry” on Monday, March 18, from 12 noon-1 pm at the Genoa Township Hall.

Tammy Beal said some board members have indicated they do not want a hard copy of the board packet. Please let her know if you no longer want one.

Bob Hanvey said he received information from the City of Howell that the parcels owned by the township are no longer exempt; they've been given an assessed value of \$1.5 million. He will be meeting with the city's Board of Review next week.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

ADJOURNMENT

Les Andersen motioned to adjourn at 9:01 pm. Sandy Donovan seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor Date