

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR ELECTRONIC MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Les Andersen (home), Tammy Beal (home), Sandy Donovan (home), Greg Durbin (township hall), Scott Lloyd (township hall), Dan Lowe (home), and Bob Hanvey (township hall)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Westmoreland, Spicer

CALL TO ORDER

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The board members introduced themselves.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Greg Durbin motioned to approve the agenda. Dan Lowe seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Tammy Beal motioned to approve the consent agenda. Scott Lloyd seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

2020-21 AUDIT PRESENTATION

Ken Palka from Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka was present to thank the board for the opportunity to conduct the audit. He said there were no big issues and the township had a good year financially. He reviewed highlights from the general fund and sewer fund. Some material weaknesses were identified and have been addressed. His firm issued an unmodified opinion which is the highest level. Les Andersen asked whether sewer rates should be raised; Mr. Palka said yes, that is his opinion. Bob Hanvey said that can be done during budget review in June. Les Andersen motioned to accept the auditor's report and authorize the auditor to send to the State of Michigan. Greg Durbin seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Bob Hanvey said he will put a link to the document on the township's website.

ASSESSING AUDIT

Bob Hanvey reported that the township received a perfect score on the Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements (AMAR), and thanked the assessing staff.

LAKE LOCHMOOR SAD

Bob Harvey asked if there were any objections to deleting the Hammond property from the district; no objections were heard.

Erik Smalley, 4657 Lakeshire Dr., submitted three objections online based on non-benefit and two adverse health effects.

Michael & Tracy Muscoe, 4501 Lakeshire Dr., object to the SAD.

Matt Cieslak, 4595 Lakeshire Dr., said he supports the SAD.

Matt Brinker, 4717 Lakeshire Ct., supports the SAD and thanked the board members for their work on this project.

Alicia Williams, 810 Prince Edward Dr., is in favor of the SAD.

Letters of support were received from Heather Hewitt, 4617 Lakeshire Dr.; Blake & Valerie Lindell, 4759 Lakeshire Dr.; Matthew & Lindsay Cieslak, 4595 Lakeshire Dr.; John & Sandra Dryja, 708 Prince Edward Dr.; Susan & John Wheeler, 724 Prince Edward Dr.; John & Mary Webb, 4519 Lakeshire Dr.; Craig & Charisse Miller, 4577 Lakeshire Dr.; Scott & Christine Gower, 4719 Lakeshire Dr.; Brad & Holly Emery, 4741 Lakeshire Dr.; Boss Investment No. 2 LLC (vacant land); and Damian Starr, 784 Prince Edward Dr.

Greg Durbin said he's very familiar with this lake and also supports the SAD.

Greg Durbin motioned to adopt a resolution to schedule a public hearing for the creation of the Lake Lochmoor Aquatic Weed Control Special Assessment District for January 14, 2021. Scott Lloyd seconded. Roll call vote: Durbin, Donovan, Harvey, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to schedule a public hearing on the assessment roll for the Lake Lochmoor Aquatic Weed Management Special Assessment District for January 14, 2021. Scott Lloyd seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Durbin, Lowe, Harvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

MEADOWS WEST LINE OF CREDIT

Mitch Harris asked the board members to reconsider requiring the line of credit for this project. After discussion, Les Andersen motioned to keep the security instrument in place and review in five years, to be released when the last structure is complete. Tammy Beal seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

CVTRS SUBMITTAL

Bob Harvey reported that this document has been submitted and accepted by the Michigan Department of Treasury. The documents are available for review on the township's website.

ZBA APPOINTMENTS

Dan Lowe motioned to have Ed Galubensky as a permanent member of the Zoning Board of Appeals rather than an alternate. Motion failed due to lack of second.

Scott Lloyd motioned to appoint Larry Fillinger to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending December 2023. Tammy Beal seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Bob Harvey motioned to appoint Diane Bockhausen to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending December 2023. Greg Durbin seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Tammy Beal motioned to appoint Linda Manson-Dempsey to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending December 2023. Les Andersen seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Tammy Beal motioned to appoint Ed Galubensky as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending December 2023. Les Andersen seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Bob Harvey motioned to appoint Dan Lowe as the Board representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Tammy Beal seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

PC APPOINTMENTS

Les Andersen motioned to appoint Bob Harvey as the Board representative to the Planning Commission. Scott Lloyd seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Greg Durbin motioned to appoint Jim Anderson to the Planning Commission for a three-year term ending December 2023. Dan Lowe seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Les Andersen motioned to appoint Bruce Powelson to the Planning Commission for a three-year term ending December 2023. Greg Durbin seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS

Bob Harvey said he received an email from Barbara Hamann and she is no longer interested in being an alternate; forward any suggestions to the clerk's office.

Tammy Beal motioned to appoint Diane Bockhausen to the Board of Review for a two-year term ending December 2022. Les Andersen seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Scott Lloyd motioned to appoint Cheryl Range to the Board of Review for a two-year term ending December 2022. Les Andersen seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Les Andersen motioned to appoint Rick Dell to the Board of Review for a two-year term ending December 22. Scott Lloyd seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Bob Harvey said that members of the Board of Review are now required to attend training.

Scott Lloyd asked if appointments need to be made for CIRAB; Bob Harvey recommended appointing Scott Lloyd and Mike Arens.

Tammy Beal motioned to appoint Scott Lloyd to CIRAB. Les Andersen seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Scott Lloyd motioned to appoint Mike Arens to CIRAB. Les Andersen seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

PADNOS METAL SHREDDING RESOLUTION

Dan Lowe motioned to adopt a resolution to oppose the Padnos project, especially the requested variances for paving and outdoor shredding. The township would urge City Council to defend and support their ZBA decision. The truck traffic, noise and potential fire and pollution problems are not what our community needs. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey, Lowe, Durbin, Beal, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

The Crystalwood paving project is done; Phil Westmoreland said the residents are very happy.

Bob Harvey asked the board members to begin thinking about roads for the 2021 Pavement Preservation Program.

Tammy Beal said the state conducted an audit of the township's Precinct 2 results (both in-person and absentee) and it went well. She also said she received a \$5,000 grant for COVID-related election expenses and would like to

pass that along to the election workers as hazard pay. Bob Hanvey motioned to approve hazard pay for the election workers. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd, Durbin—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

ADJOURNMENT

Greg Durbin motioned to adjourn at 8:36 pm. Les Andersen seconded. No objections were heard. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor Date