

MARION TOWNSHIP
2877 W. COON LAKE RD., HOWELL, MI 48843
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2017

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Hamann, Zoning Administrator; Phil Westmoreland, Spicer Group

CALL TO ORDER

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The board members introduced themselves.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Items #13—Chestnut Creek Road, #14—LCRC Invoice, and #15—Depository Safe were added to the agenda. Les Anderson motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Les Andersen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried.**

SNOW PLOW BIDS

Tammy Beal motioned to accept the bid from B&L Services for a three-year contract to lock in the prices. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Hanvey, Durbin, Andersen, Stokes—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

LOVES CREEK/SESAME SNOW PLOW SAD PUBLIC HEARING

Bob Hanvey opened the public hearing at 7:33 pm. Scott Hiltunen, 3389 Sesame, said he just purchased a vacant lot next to his home and asked how the assessment would be divided. Bob Hanvey said that each parcel would be assessed 50%. Mr. Hanvey informed the attendees that forms to protest creation of the SAD were on the table and must be submitted before the end of the public hearing. No objections were received. The public hearing was closed at 7:35 pm.

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the Love’s Creek/Sesame Special Assessment District for Snow Removal and Salting Service, as presented and to schedule a public hearing on the roll for December 14, 2017. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Durbin—yes; Stokes—yes; Hanvey—yes; Lloyd—abstain; Beal—yes; Andersen—yes; Lowe—yes. **Resolution passed 6-0 with 1 abstention.**

HAPRA PROPOSED 2018 BUDGET

Paul Rogers, the current Executive Director who is retiring in December, introduced Tim Church, the newly-appointed Executive Director. Mr. Church reviewed the proposed budget with the board members. Greg Durbin motioned to approve the 2018 proposed HAPRA budget, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Stokes, Durbin, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

BRIAN VOLANTE, 5233 PLEASANT LAKE ROAD

William Moore, attorney for the property owner, was present and Brian Volante, the property owner, was also present. Mr. Moore said there is an overlap between the zoning ordinance and general ordinance with regard to private roads. He is asking the board to declare Pleasant Lake Road suitable for one more lot. Les Andersen said it was his understanding that you couldn't get a mortgage for property on a private road unless there was an agreement in place; Mr. Moore said that is not his experience. Mr. Moore also said the four acre issue has been resolved as Mr. Volante is purchasing some property from the neighbor. Dan Lowe said the minor upgraded shouldn't be a problem and it's doable. Bob Hanvey asked Mr. Moore if they had approached the neighbors about participating in upgrading the road, and said the township would be willing to facilitate the meeting. Mr. Moore said an engineering cost estimate is necessary before doing that. Phil Westmoreland said he will provide the information.

MASTER PLAN PROPOSAL

The board members discussed various methods of informing the public of the master plan update: survey, newsletter, special meeting, website, etc. Les Andersen motioned to accept the proposal from Carlisle Wortman to update the master plan for \$9,500, as presented. Duane Stokes seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey, Lowe, Durbin, Beal, Lloyd, Stokes, Andersen—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

MARION OAKS

Brent LaVanway from Boss Engineering was present, as well as the property owner, Jack Lansing from Capital Custom Homes. They are looking to amend the 2007 consent judgment, which would allow them to build 460 housing units. They would like to reconfigure some of the lots, but the total number would remain the same. Mr. Lansing's hope is to save the clubhouse as community asset for the homeowner's association. Greg Durbin asked what the timeline is. Mr. Lansing said if he can begin the project, he would like to start in the spring. Dan Lowe said he wants to know the differences between the 2007 consent judgment and the proposed site plan. He is concerned about parking issues in the northwest corner properties. Mr. Lansing said he needs to know whether he can keep the existing clubhouse or not because it's in need of repair. Bob Hanvey asked the board members if any objected to the concept of keeping the clubhouse intact for use by the community. Bob Hanvey said he will have the attorneys review the terms of the consent judgment. Rob Rochowiak said he would support keeping the existing clubhouse based on feedback he's received from customers. Bruce Powelson said he would support the modified site plan.

Les Andersen motioned to extend the meeting beyond 9:30 pm. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

RURIK ROAD INVOICE

Les Andersen motioned to approve final payment of \$13,796.11 to Fonson for Rurik improvements. Duane Stokes seconded. Roll call vote: Stokes, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd, Durbin—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Bob Hanvey asked the board members if there were any objections to waiving the first two years interest because the project wasn't completed on time. Tammy Beal motioned to adopt a resolution to waive the first two years interest, with interest starting on 12/1/17. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Durbin, Lloyd, Stokes, Andersen, Beal, Hanvey—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

SOUND SYSTEM UPDATE

The speakers have been installed and the rest of the equipment should be installed within the next few weeks.

HOWELL LANDSCAPING

Bob Hanvey passed out an email he received from the DEQ regarding the mulch pile. No action required at this time.

CRYSTALWOOD ROAD ESCROW AGREEMENT

There is no final document yet; no action required.

CHESTNUT CREEK ROAD

Bob Hanvey asked the board members to take a look at the road and what was approved. If the road has been changed, a site plan amendment is required. Phil Westmoreland will contact them and find out what their intention is for the road.

LCRC INVOICE

Greg Durbin motioned to pay the LCRC invoice for \$787.50 for Norton Road. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Hanvey, Durbin, Andersen, Stokes—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

DEPOSITORY SAFE

Duane Stokes said he would like to have a box installed by Hi-Tech Safe & Lock to collect tax payments, ballots, etc. that is secure, as requested by the auditor. Les Andersen motioned to authorize up to \$3,000 for a depository safe. Greg Durbin seconded. Roll call vote: Durbin, Stokes, Hanvey, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE/UPDATES

The assistant assessor, Karen Hawkins, starts on November 27.

Truck or Treat was held on Halloween and 179 children attended.

The buck pole is up and ready for the event on Wednesday, November 15. Special thanks to Dan Perkins for his assistance.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

ADJOURNMENT

Duane Stokes motioned to adjourn at 9:53 pm. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor Date