

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 22, 2018**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Westmoreland, Spicer

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Les Andersen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Duane Stokes seconded. **Motion carried.**

MICHIGAN HORSE COUNCIL/CAMP INNISFREE

An email from the Putnam Township supervisor is included in the packet with information on how Putnam was able to financially support the feasibility study. Les Andersen and Greg Durbin both suggested having the county participate as well. Tammy Beal motioned to authorize \$1,000 for professional fees the feasibility study for Camp Innisfree. Les Andersen seconded. Discussion: The funds will come from the General Fund, account #6205-807. Roll call vote: Lowe—no; Lloyd—no; Beal—yes; Hanvey—yes; Durbin—yes; Andersen—yes; Stokes—yes. **Motion carried 5-2.**

FEE SCHEDULE FOR PRE-EXISTING, NON-CONFORMING, UNAPPROVED PRIVATE ROADS

Greg Durbin motioned to set the escrow amount at \$1,000 and charge no fee for review of pre-existing, non-conforming, unapproved private roads. Dan Lowe seconded. **Motion carried.**

2018 PRIMARY ROAD PROJECTS/ROAD CLEAN-UP

The township has received verbal confirmation that the county will match \$250,000 for Coon Lake Road repairs. Bob Hanvey passed out an estimate for Bentley Lake Road. Les Andersen motioned to request a written contract from the Livingston County Road Commission to repair Bentley Lake Road for \$250,000. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

Bob Hanvey said a grant may be available from Solid Waste for up to half of the cost for road clean-up. Les Andersen motioned to accept the bid from Gorski Hauling for township road clean-up in the amount of \$2,548, provided they can begin before the grass starts growing. Greg Durbin seconded. Roll call vote: Durbin, Stokes, Hanvey, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

The board members discussed possible roads for crack sealing. Phil Westmoreland suggested County Farm, Cedar Lake, and East Coon Lake. The board members also discussed subdivision roads. Greg Durbin said his subdivision would be willing to pay a portion of the \$7,000 per mile. Dan Lowe asked Phil Westmoreland about Norton Road excavation; Phil said that Jodie from the LCRC has a meeting next week with TLS. Bob Hanvey will talk with Tim Johnson to see if he has any crack seal projects scheduled for the township.

The board members discussed establishing Cedar Lake Road as a primary road; Mr. Hanvey said there's more to the process than just the LCRC designating the road; it has to be approved by the state.

SEWER CONNECTION POLICY

Bob Hanvey passed out a sample specification for service leads from Spicer Group. The board members discussed design considerations.

Phil Westmoreland and Dan Lowe will meet and discuss later.

3290 NORTON ROAD/MHOG WATER

The board members discussed the amount required as a down payment; now that MHOG gets \$3,500 for each REU, the down payment needs to be at least that much. The balance could be financed. Bob Hanvey will let the owner know.

HOWELL LANDSCAPING

Bob Hanvey said the Zoning Board of Appeals is the governing body that would have the authority to interpret the ordinance, not the Board of Trustees. He will discuss with the township attorney, who is on vacation.

MEADOWS WEST

This is on the Planning Commission's agenda for next Tuesday. The owner has submitted materials that have been reviewed by Spicer and Carlisle Wortman.

CRYSTALWOOD ROAD ESCROW AGREEMENT

Bob Hanvey passed out a letter from Spicer regarding the CCTV inspection of laterals on Lots 33 and 20. It was suggested that the township establish an escrow account for Lot 20 and camera in a year. Bob Hanvey will discuss with the City of Howell DPW. The board members discussed revising the sewer ordinance, Section 7—Enforcement, to include fines for first, second, third violations to the ordinance. Duane Stokes will bring to the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE/UPDATES

Bob Hanvey passed out an email from MDOT on spring weight restrictions.

Mr. Hanvey reported on the recent Board of Review hearings.

Les Andersen said the special event permit shouldn't be issued if it authorizes the property owner to use a building, etc. for a use that wasn't intended. Bob Hanvey suggested adding the Livingston County Building Department to the list of entities to send for review.

Tammy Beal said the next packet will be available on Thursday, April 5.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Steve Locke, 293 Wood Court, asked for clarification on the road escrow for Crystalwood. Bob Hanvey said it's to ensure that the roads will be paved.

ADJOURNMENT

Les Andersen motioned to adjourn at 9:30 pm. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor Date