

**MARION TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 22, 2020**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

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**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

The board members introduced themselves.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No response.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Item #10—Parking Lot was added to the agenda. Les Andersen motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**2020-21 SNOWPLOW BIDS**

Les Andersen motioned to accept the bid from B&L Services for three years. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

**COON LAKE AQUATIC WEED MANAGEMENT AND GOOSE CONTROL PUBLIC HEARING**

Bob Hanvey opened the public hearing for creation of the Coon Lake aquatic weed management and goose control special assessment district. Any property owner who would like to dispute creation of the district can fill out the form prior to the end of the public hearing.

Bruce Pfister, 3987 South Woods, read a letter to the board on the history of weed control on Coon Lake. Mr. Pfister has been involved in this project for 30 years and will be stepping down at the end of 2021. He is hoping that five riparians will volunteer going forward.

Laura Deierlein, 4180 Rurik (attending remotely), asked if this SAD is a renewal and what the purpose of the hearing is. Bob Hanvey said the purpose is to create the district; the next public hearing will be on the roll. Ms. Deierlein asked whether the amount charged to each resident is based on the actual amount

spent or an estimate; Mr. Hanvey said it's the actual. Ms. Deierlein also said she would be interested in helping out.

Mike McIsaac, 4010 South Woods, said he has been working with Bruce Pfister and the weed control is beneficial to the lake.

Jack Reynolds, 1922 Olympia, said he objects to the SAD district because the cost allocations are unfair and not proportional to the cost of service.

John Shekell, 4215 South Woods, said he is not opposed to the weed control, but he feels that too many chemicals are being used.

Glenn Stevenson, 4406 Adria, said he agrees 150% with Mr. Shekell about too many chemicals and killing off wild life.

Bruce Pfister said the DNR tightly regulations the process, and Lake Pro uses less than would be allowed. He doesn't believe the wild life is affected.

Jack Reynolds asked if anyone had considered that Pardee Lake is also chemically treated, and it dumps into Coon Lake over an earthen dam.

The public hearing was closed at 7:59 pm.

Dan Lowe motioned to adopt a resolution to create the Coon Lake Aquatic Weed Management and Goose Control Special Assessment District, as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Hanvey, Durbin, Andersen, Stokes—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Greg Durbin motioned to adopt a resolution to schedule a public hearing on the assessment roll for the Coon Lake Aquatic Weed Management and Goose Control Special Assessment District on November 12, 2020 at 7:30 pm, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Stokes, Durbin, Hanvey, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

### **AJR CORNERSTONE MEDIATION**

A meeting was held on Tuesday, October 20, and it appears neither side is willing to change. No information on future scheduling.

### **MEADOWS WEST LINE OF CREDIT**

Mitch Harris has requested that the township release the \$50,000 letter of credit for pavement repairs at the Meadows for damage done during the development of Meadows West. Dan Lowe asked why the township would release it now before construction. Both layers of the road are done. Mr. Hanvey said he could talk with the attorney or the bank. Les Andersen motioned to keep the Meadows West letter of credit in place. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

### **PADNOS METAL PROCESSING**

An email was received from EGLE about the air permit for the shredder and how to review information, provide comment, and attend the meeting/hearing on November 10 at 6 pm. The ZBA lawsuit hasn't been resolved yet. Dan Lowe said he would like the township to make a statement about this project. Mr. Lowe also encouraged all residents to investigate exactly what this proposed project is.

### **CRYSTAL WOOD PAVING**

Bob Hanvey said the contractor sent an email that the project is delayed one week due to weather. Mr. Hanvey said he would like to simplify the process and combine the escrow accounts to pay for paving and trees. Any remaining funds would go to the Water New User account as reimbursement for the water main connection to Foxfire. Dan Lowe motioned to give 25% to the contractor once construction begins, and to approve the proposed changes, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Stokes, Durbin, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

### **HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL**

Tammy Beal said there is a slight increase to continue with the same plan. Les Andersen motioned to accept the renewal package with a 4.93% increase, with a total of \$192,189.48, as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey, Lowe, Durbin, Beal, Lloyd, Stokes, Andersen—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

### **PARKING LOT**

Dan Lowe updated the board on this project. If it's slightly reconfigured, it will add another 8-10 spaces. Duane Stokes motioned to change the parking lot plan and to add a driveway on the north end. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried.**

### **CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES**

The LCRC sent an email that the Peavy Road bridge project has received federal funding, and they anticipate the project to be completed during the 2023 construction season.

Truck-or-Treat has been cancelled for this year.

Tammy Beal reported that she has sent out 4,200 absentee ballots, and 66% have been returned.

Les Andersen said the Burkhardt/Mason project resulted in some new asphalt on Burkhardt Road.

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No response.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Les Andersen motioned to adjourn at 8:46 pm. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

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Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk      Date

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Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor      Date