

**MARION TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 12, 2023**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

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

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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 online.

**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 as presented. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Tammy Beal motioned to approve the consent agenda. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Hanvey, Durbin, Andersen, Donovan—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

**HAPRA BUDGET PRESENTATION**

Tim Church, Executive Director of HAPRA, was present for this agenda item. Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the HAPRA budget, as presented. Greg Durbin seconded. Roll call vote: Lloyd, Andersen, Donovan, Beal, Durbin, Hanvey, Lowe—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

**FINAL REVIEW SUP #02-23 ALAN ASP--SECTION 17.32 HOME-BASED BUSINESS**

Alan Asp was present for this item. He is asking for a Special Use Permit for a home-based garage door repair business. There will be no customer traffic, no more than two employees, and a maximum of four trucks at one time. Mr. Asp has a purchase agreement for this property contingent on approval. Les Andersen motioned to approve SUP #02-23 as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

**WEBSITE UPDATE**

Les Andersen motioned to contract with Network Services Group (NSG) to update the township's website, as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Durbin, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

**SEWER MANHOLE INSPECTIONS**

Phil Westmoreland said he would have the scope next month and hopes to bid at the end of January.

**PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS ORDINANCE**

Les Andersen motioned to approve the Purchase of Development Rights ordinance, as presented. Greg Durbin seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey—yes; Lowe—no; Durbin—yes; Beal—no; Lloyd—yes; Donovan—no; Andersen—yes. **Motion carried 4-3.**

**MARION TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE**

The board members discussed no longer allowing employees to bring pets to work. Scott Lloyd will draft language to amend the handbook and bring it to the next meeting.

Tammy Beal motioned to approve the quote from State Street Blinds & Design for blinds, not to exceed \$6,000. Scott Lloyd seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd, Durbin—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Dan Lowe questioned the cost of installing the new fire hall door. Tammy Beal will request more information from Schafer for the next meeting.

Greg Durbin said he feels a digital sign creates a hazard.

Tammy Beal said there is a construction meeting at the township hall on Wednesday, October 18 at 3 pm. She'll post a special meeting notice so that any board member can attend.

Bob Hanvey said upon the recommendation of the auditor, the township should spend less than \$750,000 of the AARPA funds during one fiscal year. The remainder should come out of the General Fund.

**CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES**

Les Andersen mentioned zoning enforcement and civil infractions. Bob Hanvey confirmed that the attorney will attend the October 24 Planning Commission meeting. With regard to enforcement of the zoning ordinance, the attorney said if the zoning administrator feels there's a violation, he should write the letter to the offender and have the Livingston County Sheriff deliver it. Bob Hanvey said he will discuss the procedure with the zoning administrator.

Tammy Beal said she received correspondence from MTA regarding the renewable energy legislation. Bob Hanvey said he would like to change the recommended language in the letter to be sent to the state.

The Livingston County update is included in the packet.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Catherine Dyer, 2715 High Meadows, commented on the letter to be sent to the state regarding renewable energy legislation and the proposed digital sign.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Les Andersen motioned to adjourn at 8:58 pm. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet