

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 27, 2020**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The board members introduced themselves.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Bob Hanvey said that tonight's meeting was also available to attend online; Andy Herald and WHMI were online.

Sandy Donovan, who is running unopposed for township treasurer, introduced herself to the board members and said she looks forward to working with everyone.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Greg Durbin motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Scott Lloyd asked to have the August 13, 2020 regular meeting minutes removed from the consent agenda for changes. The changes will be presented at the next meeting. Les Andersen motioned to approve the consent agenda as amended. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried.**

SHORT-TERM RENTAL LAWYER

Bob Hanvey said that an attorney from Cummings, McClorey, Davis & Acho has talked with the other party's attorney and has made some progress. They provided an analysis that is available for review in the clerk's office. Les Andersen asked whether the township would be signing a contract with this firm. Mr. Hanvey said they sent an engagement letter for the short-term rental issue. He also said that three condo developments would like to have the sidewalks removed and just received correspondence from the attorney on that issue today. Mr. Hanvey suggested a closed session to discuss these two issues.

SEWER USAGE CREDIT

Bob Hanvey said he checked with other MHOG townships and it was unanimous that they did not issue credits for sewer usage. Dan Lowe said it doesn't cost the township anything and is fair to the residents. Les Andersen suggested we continue to inform the residents about irrigation meter availability when

possible. Tammy Beal motioned to continue getting Board approval and not take any new action on sewer credits. Dan Lowe seconded. **Motion carried.**

COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS PLAN

Bob Hanvey said that there have been several executive orders since the original preparedness plan was approved, and some staff members have pointed out that EO 2020-161 has more specific requirements for face coverings (new items i & j.) Tammy Beal said she feels what’s being done now is acceptable. Bob Hanvey asked one of the staff members what their concern was. Sandi Longstreet said that masks are not being worn in shared spaces such as hallways, restrooms, copy machine, etc. Lori Judson, attending online, said the law says those in shared spaces should wear a face covering. Tammy Beal said there is a staff member with medical issues that prohibit wearing a mask; Lori Judson suggested that staff member wear a face shield when in common areas. Duane Stokes motioned to add items i & j to the township’s COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried.**

DISC GOLF COURSE MODIFICATION REQUEST

Bob Hanvey said the township has not received a response from the neighbor’s attorney regarding the suggestion to move the basket.

AJR CORNERSTONE MEDIATION

The township has submitted dates available and haven’t received a response. The Witkowski deposition is scheduled for September 11.

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

Bob Hanvey said he submitted responses to the 120 items on the complaint from Hometown Village; no response has been received.

Dan Lowe asked about the Crystalwood paving. Bob Hanvey said Rick Elkow called today and is getting estimates to have Crystalwood Estates does along with phases one and two. Mr. Lowe asked about the tree escrow; Tammy Beal said she will provide him with a printout of the account.

Tammy Beal asked if there is a date scheduled for the parking lot; no date was given, but it will be done prior to the election.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

ADJOURNMENT

Les Andersen motioned to adjourn at 8:10 pm. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor Date