

MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2022

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Greg Durbin

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Westmoreland, Spicer

CALL TO ORDER

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7 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

Les Andersen motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Dan Lowe said he would like the information he presented for the Township Hall Addition agenda item to be reflected in the minutes from the October 13, 2022 meeting. Les Andersen motioned to approve the consent agenda as amended. Dan Lowe seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Hanvey, Andersen, Donovan—all yes. **Motion carried 6-0.**

HAPRA BUDGET PRESENTATION

Tim Church, HAPRA Executive Director, presented the 2023 HAPRA budget for the board's approval. Les Andersen motioned to approve the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority 2023 budget, as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Hanvey, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Motion carried 6-0.**

WINTERWOOD SAD SNOW REMOVAL PUBLIC HEARING

Bob Hanvey opened the public hearing to create the district. No objections were made, and the public hearing was closed. John Craib, 3800 Winterwood, said he thought the amount should be \$4,000. After discussion, it was agreed to change the amount to \$6,000.

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to create the Winterwood SAD for snow removal and salting service, as amended, and to schedule a public hearing for the November 17, 2022 meeting to approve

the roll. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Lowe, Harvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Resolution passed 6-0.**

PRELIMINARY HIDDEN VALLEY SAD

This is an informal discussion regarding moving forward with an SAD for Hidden Valley. Ramon Baca, 1997 Hidden Valley, said he believes most residents are in agreement with the SAD. One resident said she feels that \$10,000 is excessive and \$8,000 would be enough. Another resident said that \$8,000 isn't enough.

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to schedule a public hearing on November 17, 2022 on the creation of Hidden Valley Snow Removal & Maintenance Special Assessment District. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Harvey, Lowe, Beal, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen—all yes. **Resolution passed 6-0.**

CEDAR LAKE ROAD

Larry Grunn, 3969 Love's Creek, and Mary Killeen, 3488 Sesame Dr., were present to summarize their October 18, 2022 meeting with Steven Wasyk, Executive Director of the Livingston County Road Commission. She said the ARPA funds aren't being used on the roads. Tammy Beal said the township has received \$1.1 million in ARPA funds. Bob Harvey said the township has received \$0 from the county; the money is from the federal government via the State of Michigan. Dan Lowe said there are township funds but they are being used on a building addition. Bob Harvey passed out an October 24, 2022 letter from the LCRC with estimates.

LUCY ROAD SITE PLAN CHANGE

Phil Westmoreland said that the detention basin has been split into two with a culvert linking them. Les Andersen motioned to approve the Lucy Road site plan change as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

BENTLEY LAKE MINOR PRIVATE ROAD REQUEST

Michael Tyler, 5029 Bentley Lake Road, was present to ask for the board's approval for a minor private road. Bob Harvey and Dan Lowe questioned why the proposed easement is 60', not the standard 66'. Les Andersen said this is what the LCRC refers to as a shared driveway for the four parcels; the township calls it a minor private road. Comments were heard from Mark Benedetti, 2859 Rubbins, who is an owner of one of the landlocked parcels. Mr. Tyler said that issue is between the private parties, not the township. Dan Lowe said he is not satisfied with a 60' easement and wouldn't support the request unless it's a 66' easement. Tammy Beal motioned to postpone discussion until the LCRC is consulted regarding the width of the easement. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried.**

HIGH HILLCREST FLOOD ISSUE

Dan Lowe said the State of Michigan says there's no more funds available to change the culvert. No action required on this item.

HOMETOWN AGREEMENT

Bob Harvey said there are no new comments on this item. There is another party interested in the property.

SPANGLER STATUS

The board discussed the option of refunding the cost of the REU; the property owner would like to hook up to municipal sewer. Bob Hanvey said he talked with another company that will provide a bid for a different pump and installation.

SPARK GRANT

A meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at 4 pm with Spicer's Planning Department to discuss Spark Park grant.

MARION TOWNSHIP ADDITION

No new information on this agenda item.

INSURANCE RENEWAL

Les Andersen motioned to approve the insurance renewal as presented and fund the deductible. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Motion carried 6-0.** Bob Hanvey said the budget will have to be changed for the increased deductible cost.

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

Genoa Township is holding a public hearing on their Master Plan on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 6:30 pm at the Genoa Township Hall.

The State of the County address is November 1, 2022 at 5:30 pm at the EMS building; online options will be available.

The Planning Commission agenda for November 22, 2022 will have a solar farm presentation by Sarah Mills.

Hall-O-Ween (Trunk or Treat) is scheduled for Monday, October 31, 2022 from 6-8 pm. People giving out treats are invited to come at 5:15 pm to set up; hot dogs, cider, etc. will be served.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

ADJOURNMENT

Les Andersen motioned to adjourn at 8:41 pm. Sandy Donovan seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor Date