

**MARION TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 10, 2022**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John Gormley, Attorney

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was also available to attend online.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

The board members introduced themselves.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mark Benedetti, 2859 Rubbins, was present to ask for the board's assistance with an easement that affects multiple parcels. The easement to Bentley Lake Road falls about 100' short of the road, leaving all of the parcels landlocked. Bob Hanvey will reach out to the owner of the property to try to negotiate a resolution.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

An item on sewer pipes was added to the agenda. Les Andersen motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**MiSIGNAL BROADBAND**

Josh Rowe from MiSignal was present to follow-up on his proposal to install fiber optic service to the township. The board members would like to see a contract for the proposed project and have the attorney review.

**ZBA REPORT**

Dan Lowe reported that one variance request was heard on Monday, February 7. The applicant was requesting a side yard setback variance and a variance to the square footage, which was granted. Mr. Lowe also said the ZBA members should have been involved in the decision to change the meeting time from 7:30 pm to 7:00 pm.

**SEWER PIPE**

Tammy Beal said there is still no defined pipe size and contractors need to have clear direction. This item will be put on the next agenda.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Jay Drick, District 5 County Commissioner, was present. He passed out an external funding request form to submit for ARPA funds.

State Representative Bob Bezotte was also present and discussed redistricting.

**CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES**

A thank you letter from Livingston County Catholic Charities was received.

To thank the township for use of the basement for archery classes, the Howell Gun Club is offering a CPL class for township employees.

Tammy Beal said a resident came to the office today and requested the board consider installing a walking path.

Les Andersen asked Rick Haslock what other municipalities do in terms of sewer pipe size; Mr. Haslock said he's never done a 6" pipe for an individual residential home.

Bob Hanvey said the township was contacted by the Drain Commission regarding the berm on Lucy Road; they require a silt fence and a permit. Dan Lowe will discuss with Ken Recker.

**MOTORSPORTS GATEWAY (CLOSED SESSION)**

Sandy Donovan motioned to go into a closed session to discuss the opinion of the attorney, per MCL 15.268(h), because discussion during an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the settlement position of the township. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Hanvey, Durbin, Andersen, Donovan—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Les Andersen made a motion to come out of the closed session at 8:22 pm, seconded by Tammy Beal. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Tammy Beal made a motion to proceed with what was recommended by the attorney during the closed session, seconded by Les Andersen. **Motion carried 7-0.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Sandy Donovan made a motion to adjourn at 8:23 pm, seconded by Les Andersen. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

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Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk      Date

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Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor      Date