

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2022**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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

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

Rich Benson, 3854 Cedar Point, was present to ask for guidance on using his parents' home as an AirBNB as the home has been adapted with ramps, accessible bathroom, etc. He has talked with a management company and was told they could restrict the renters to a certain age, number of vehicles, etc. Mr. Benson will provide more information from the management company.

Jim Anderson, 84 Cranbrook Dr., asked what the status of the walking path is. Tammy Beal said she has submitted a proposal to the county for ARPA funds, but that could take up to two years.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Item #8—Francis Road 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.**

ASSISTANT ASSESSOR POSITION

Les Andersen motioned to offer the position to the applicant at a rate of \$30 per hour, with no annual increase this July. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Hanvey, Durbin, Andersen, Donovan—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

377 BONNIE CIRCLE SANITARY HOOKUP

The resident is requesting permission to put in a new drain field rather than hook up to municipal sewer. He believes a new drain field would be most cost effective. The board members would like more specific information re: elevations, drain field locations, perc test, where the sewer lead is located. Scott Lloyd motioned to postpone action on this item until more information is received. Dan Lowe seconded. **Motion carried.**

HOWELL CITY REU AGREEMENT

The attorney said the document has been sent out to be recorded, and the lawsuit has been dismissed.

MARION TOWNSHIP LAND PRESERVATION

Jim Anderson said that John Enos provided him with a sample survey that Jim modified. Les Andersen would like the survey to be sent with the tax bills. Dan Lowe said he would like to see the final survey. Jim Anderson will work with Tammy Beal on the survey for the next board meeting. The attorney cautioned the board members to not use group emails so there's no violation of the Open Meetings Act.

MARION TOWNSHIP ADDITION

After discussion, Scott Lloyd motioned to postpone action up to three months to discuss further options. Dan Lowe seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan—no; Durbin—no; Harvey—yes; Lloyd—yes; Beal—no; Andersen—no; Lowe—yes. **Motion failed 3-4.**

Greg Durbin motioned to schedule a special meeting to discuss the addition within one month. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried.**

Phil Westmoreland suggested that the board should first decide how much money they want to spend.

FRANCIS ROAD

Dan Lowe said there are manhole covers exposed, the road needs gravel, and the Road Commission needs to be aware of the exposed manholes before they do any grading. Phil Westmoreland will check the elevations. The township needs to get a price to add a minimum of 6" of gravel.

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

No C&U items this month.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Jim Anderson, 84 Cranbrook Dr., said the township should make the necessary repairs to the existing building such as siding, roof, windows. He asked if the fire hall could be used for elections; Tammy Beal said that it is.

ADJOURNMENT

Sandy Donovan motioned to adjourn at 8:47 pm. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Harvey, Township Supervisor Date