MARION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 13, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Lloyd, Les Andersen, Tammy Beal, Jim Witkowski, Sandy

Donovan, Dan Lowe, and Bill Fenton

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: John Gormley, Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Bill Fenton 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

Les Andersen motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Scott Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Tammy Beal motioned to approve the consent agenda. Sandy Donovan seconded. Motion carried.

FY 2024-25 AUDIT PRESENTATION

Ken Palka, Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka, presented the results of the FY 2024-25 audit. He reviewed the report with the board members. Les Andersen said based on the auditor's recommendation, the township should increase the sewer rates accordingly.

Les Andersen motioned to accept the audit report, as presented. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Donovan, Witkowski, Andersen, Fenton—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

LAKE LOCHMOOR AQUATIC WEED CONTROL SAD CREATION PUBLIC HEARING

Tammy Beal motioned to open the public hearing for Lake Lochmoor SAD creation. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Witkowski, Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Fenton—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

David Tharp, 750 Prince Edward, said he feels weed control is a positive thing.

Craig Miller, 4577 Lakeshire Drive, agrees with Mr. Tharp and provided the board members with before/after pictures to show the benefit.

Bill Fenton said there are forms in the back of the meeting room for anyone who wishes to object. No objections were received.

Tammy Beal motioned to close the public hearing. Sandy Donovan seconded. Motion carried.

Tammy Beal motioned to adopt a resolution to create the Lake Lochmoor Aquatic Weed Control SAD district, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Witkowski, Lowe, Lloyd, Fenton—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0**.

COON LAKE WEED CONTROL CREATION OF ROLL SAD PUBLIC HEARING

Tammy Beal motioned to open the public hearing for the Coon Lake Weed Control SAD roll creation. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Andersen, Lowe, Witkowski, Beal, Lloyd, Donovan, Fenton—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

A resident asked how the cost is determined, and does it include goose management? Bill Fenton explained that the township just funds the SAD; the residents decide and approve what to spend and it can include goose management.

Bill Fenton said there are forms in the back of the meeting room for anyone who wishes to object. No objections were received.

Sandy Donovan motioned to close the public hearing. Tammy Beal seconded. Motion carried.

Sandy Donovan motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the roll for the Coon Lake Weed Control SAD, as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Witkowski, Lloyd, Fenton—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0**.

CEDAR LAKE WEED CONTROL CREATION OF ROLL SAD PUBLIC HEARING

Tammy Beal motioned to open the public hearing. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Witkowski, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen, Beal, Fenton—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

No comments were heard and no objections were made. Sandy Donovan motioned to close the public hearing. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried**.

Sandy Donovan motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the roll for the Cedar Lake Weed Control SAD, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Donovan, Witkowski, Andersen, Fenton—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0**.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Les Andersen motion to continue with the BC/BS health insurance through Acrisure, as presented. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Witkowski, Lowe, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Fenton—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

Discussion on sewer rates will be added to one of the January board meeting agendas.

A presentation on parliamentary procedure will be held on January 15, 2026 from 4-8 pm. Tammy Beal encourages all board members, Planning Commission and ZBA members to attend.

Discussion on roads will be on the next agenda.

The Lucy Road property sale hasn't closed yet; the deposit has been received and purchase agreement is signed.

Tammy Beal said the township received a \$10,000 grant for handicap parking.

The buck pole will be held at the township hall on Saturday, November 15 from 4-8 pm.

Dan Lowe asked about the township hall being closed on Monday, November 10. It was explained that there was no internet and phone service.

The Smith hearing is scheduled for November 19, 2025.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No response.

ADJOURNMENT

Tammy Beal motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm. Les Andersen seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by: S. Longstreet				
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Tammy L. Beal. Township Clerk	Date	William Fenton, Township Supervisor	Date	