

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2024**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: John Gormley, Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7:43 pm. The meeting is also available to attend online.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The board members introduced themselves.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Anthony Longoria, 37324 Pinckney Rd., had comments about the Darakjian property.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Item #11—Sexton/County Farm Speed Limit was added to the agenda. Les Andersen motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

PUBLIC HEARING FOR RURIK/IRENE/OLYMPIA/ADRIA DRIVES TO APPROVE THE ROLL

Bob Hanvey opened the public hearing. No comments were made and the public hearing was closed. Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the roll for Rurik/Irene/Olympia/Adria Drives Snow Removal Special Assessment District, as presented. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Andersen, Donovan, Beal, Durbin, Lloyd, Hanvey, Lowe—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

DARAKJIAN PROPERTY

In response to Mr. Longoria's inquiry, Bob Hanvey gave a brief history of this property and the challenges involved. Scott Lloyd said the property needs to be appraised. Les Andersen motioned to get quotes for an appraisal of this property. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried.**

GEORGETOWN REUS

Bob Hanvey said the family of the original owner of 54 water REUs in Georgetown is considering donating them back to the township. There is no benefit to the township. The original owner paid cash for

the REUs; the property has changed hands multiple times. The township will not be involved in coordinating the effort between the owners. The township does not allow transfer between owners, only back to the township. The attorney asked how the township will get them back to the original owner. The board members discussed moving from one parcel to another. The attorney said that the situation has to be consistent with the Sewer & Water ordinance.

Les Andersen motioned to authorize the supervisor to execute documents to complete the donation of 54 water REUs. The motion was not supported or voted on.

TRUSTEE WAGES

Les Andersen motioned to adopt by resolution a 10% decrease in the trustees' wages. Scott Lloyd seconded. Roll call vote: Lloyd—yes; Hanvey—yes; Lowe—yes; Durbin—no; Donovan—yes; Andersen—yes; Beal—yes. **Resolution passed 6-1.**

HOWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2025 SUMMER TAX AGREEMENT

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to authorize collection of summer 2025 school property taxes and sign the agreement, as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey, Lowe, Durbin, Beal, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0.**

PROVIDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Tammy Beal motioned to accept the agreement from Acrisure for Provident Group Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance for \$1,582, as presented. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd, Durbin—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

BURNHAM & FLOWER PARK INSURANCE

Sandy Donovan motioned to accept the quote from Burnham & Flower for park/walking path insurance for \$5,274, as presented. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Lowe, Durbin, Lowe, Donovan, Andersen, Beal, Hanvey—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Bob Hanvey motioned to have the driveway to the play structure and parking area plowed during the winter. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Andersen—yes; Donovan—yes; Beal—yes; Durbin—yes; Lloyd—no; Hanvey—yes; Lowe—no. **Motion carried 5-2.**

CRYSTAL WOOD TREES

Scott Lloyd asked if the township was going to plant more trees or is the project complete with 20 trees? Sandy Donovan said the 20 trees fulfills the consent judgement. Les Andersen suggested that the township use the remaining funds for additional trees to satisfy both the homeowners and Dan Lowe. Dan Lowe said there's room for all of the trees, and these trees were intended for screening purposes, not landscaping.

Tammy Beal motioned to adjourn the meeting. Sandy Donovan seconded. Roll call vote: Durbin—yes; Donovan—yes; Hanvey—no; Lloyd—no; Beal—yes; Andersen—no; Lowe—no. **Motion to adjourn failed 3-4.**

Scott Lloyd said the township should get a price for 17 trees and put them on the property line.

Sandy Donovan motioned to put six (6) trees on Lot 19 to conclude this issue. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Beal—yes; Andersen—no; Donovan—yes; Durbin—yes; Lowe—yes; Hanvey—yes; Lloyd—yes. **Motion carried 6-1.**

Dan Lowe motioned to plant six (6) trees on Lot 4. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey—no; Lowe—yes; Durbin—yes; Beal—no; Lloyd—no; Donovan—no; Andersen—yes. **Motion failed 3-4.**

COUNTY FARM/SEXTON SPEED LIMIT

Les Andersen provided the board members with information from a speed study conducted by the Livingston County Road Commission. The LCRC will send the results to the Michigan State Police for evaluation.

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

Les Andersen stated that the LCRC feels that chip seal is a “rip off.”

The buck pole is scheduled for Friday, November 15 from 4-8 pm.

Greg Durbin thanked the board for the opportunity to serve as a trustee for 12 years, and thanked Bob Hanvey and Tammy Beal for their guidance.

Tammy Beal thanked Greg Durbin for his years of service to the township, and thanked Bob Hanvey for his 23 years as township supervisor.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

John Martin, 446 Trestle, asked about the installation of trees and the consent judgement. Les Andersen motioned to have the attorney look at the Marion Oaks consent agreement with regard to trees and who pays, and also the pool/clubhouse requirements. Tammy Beal seconded. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd, Durbin—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0.**

ADJOURNMENT

Les Andersen motioned to adjourn at 9:27 pm. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by: S. Longstreet

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey Date

Bill Fenton, Township Supervisor Date