

Lincoln Township, Newaygo County

Regular Business Meeting

September 15, 2022 7 PM

Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rodarmer at 7:06 pm.

Present: Frantz, Stockwell, Ungrey, Howes, Rodarmer Absent: none

Supervisor led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion to approve August 19, 2022 minutes with clerical corrections (Drain Commissioner Twing) by Stockwell, seconded by Rodarmer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the agenda with the following additions by Frantz, seconded by Stockwell. All ayes. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: #5. Great Lakes True Stream Resolution/Permit;

New Business: #9. L4029, #10. Cleaning at the hall

Public comment: none

Zoning Administrator Report: on file

Fire Board- no report, meeting the following Wednesday

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented by Ungrey, seconded by Frantz. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report: The "speed box" will not be an option on Mundy. The sheriff's dept will add additional presence in the area. The estimate for the video cameras at the hall was \$1580 from Novotny. Motion to hire Novotny to install cameras at the hall by Stockwell, seconded by Frantz. All ayes. Discussion regarding adding an additional camera inside the hall. Rodarmer to get prices for additional camera. Motion carried. Diamond Lake Improvement Board meet and discussed future assessments. Next meeting dates are Jan 11, Apr 12, July 12, Sept 13, 2023. The DLIB is also discussing the possibility of a magazine. Consumers is having a meeting to discuss dam updates.

Unfinished Business:

Road Commission is looking at some of the road suggestions we turned in.

Discussion about the signs for the front of the building. Rodarmer to firm up the prices and review materials. Prices range from \$568 to \$796. The Board would like to pursue the signs from Gibson's. Decision moved to October meeting.

Swim beach tree removal bids to remove two trees and grind two stumps. Bids ranged from \$2900 to \$6000. Motion to hire Christian Brother's Tree Service for \$2900 by Stockwell, seconded by Frantz. Discussion to pay the down payment. All ayes. Motion carried. Howes to send down payment check.

Motion to switch to Accufund accounting software by Stockwell. Seconded by Rodarmer. Discussion for Howes to sign and send engagement letter. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Tru Stream permit by Howes. Seconded by Rodarmer. All ayes. Motion carried.
Motion to approve Resolution 22-12 Great Lakes Energy Cooperative Telecommunications Right of Way by Howes. Seconded by Rodarmer. Roll call vote: Frantz, Stockwell, Ungrey, Howes, and Rodarmer -ayes. Nays-none. Motion carried.

New Business:

Sexton reported on conference. Trapp expressed a need for Pontum software and a computer. There are two options: Option 1 was \$5580 with an annual fee of \$1160. Option 2 was \$7420 with an annual fee of \$1420. Option 2 includes mapping and start up assistance. Motion to pursue Option 2 by Rodarmer. Seconded by Stockwell. Discussion about time frames, computers, down payments. All ayes. Motion carried.

Sexton was approached by Crandell Funeral Home about two unclaimed veterans from Lincoln Township, requesting Lincoln Township provide them a final resting place in cemetery. Sexton requested one lot and all expenses be covered by the township. Discussion about setting precedent. More discussion about setting aside a block of six lots by the Veteran's Memorial, adding names to the plaque, and possibly including a burial ceremony with the Memorial Day program. Also discussed the idea of a "sprinkle" garden (or bush) for unclaimed, non-veteran residents. Motion to provide final resting place with covered expenses for the unclaimed veterans by Rodarmer. Seconded by Ungrey. All ayes. Motion carried.

Planning Commission discussed acreage requirements for Low Density Residential, Air B&B regulations/complaints, and pole barns on vacant land.

Rodarmer to touch base with Jace Silverthorn about snowplowing.

Deck/room enclosure bids were moved to October meeting as there was still one outstanding bid due.

2Q Budget review. Motion for Howes to move monies between line items as discussed by Frantz, seconded by Rodarmer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion for Howes to attend the MTA Regional Conference in October by Rodarmer. Discussion: money is in the budget. Seconded by Ungrey. All ayes. Motion carried.

October 20th at 6 PM is the date set for the Public Hearing to amend the Stand-Alone Dock Ordinance to compliment the adopted 7.02 Dock Ordinance. Howes to put in paper.

Review and sign the L-4029 by Howes and Rodarmer. Howes to send to County.

Howes talked to Jerry Veverka about cleaning the township hall prior to elections. Board approved hiring him. Howes to reach out to let him know and get a price for continued cleaning services.

Correspondence from MTA and Diamond Lake Association newsletter.

Motion to pay bills by Frantz. Seconded by Howes. With additions: Novotny 50% (\$725) and Christian Brothers 25% (\$725). Discussion about increased Quickbooks fees. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to pay E4 Media, MERS, online, after monthly meetings by Ungrey. Seconded by Stockwell. Discussion about paying Planning Commission and ZBA yearly. Howes to discuss with departments. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public comment:

There was a complaint against Milan and his handling of a Junk ordinance violations. There were inquires about with the Diamond Lake Association meetings were held. Additional discussion about the excessive speed problem on Mundy. There were questions raised about ARPA monies and their intended purposes.

Board Comments:

Ungrey complimented the Sexton and Asst Sexton for excellent work at the cemetery.

Stockwell asked people to keep an eye on their cable/internet bills for a Property Tax Recovery Fee.

Howes commented that we have Election Commission dates for public accuracy test (Nov 1 at 7 PM).

Howes expressed a need for a bookcase to hold binders of township records.

Motion to adjourn at 9:05 PM by Rodarmer. Seconded by Frantz. All ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Howes, Clerk