

## Lockport Township Regular Meeting

May 14, 2018

Purpose of the meeting: Regular monthly meeting of the Lockport Township Board.

Members Present: Mark Major, Mike Fricsner, Beccy Friesner, Tammy Babcock, Theresa Gherna-Ankney, Paul Bungart, Doug Kuhlman

Members Absent: Melissa Major, Rhonda Wright, Dale Hutson

Call to order: The May 14, 2018 meeting was called to order by Supervisor Mark Major at 7:01pm.

Mark Major led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda: Mike made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Paul seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Approval of Minutes: Tammy made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of April 9, 2018 as presented. Mike seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Public Comments:

- A. Charlene Zavala, 16916 Bridgette Dr., extended gratitude from her and her neighbors on the road that was paved.

Enforcement Officer Report: Doug is still working on a PDF for demolition of property on Wilbur Rd. He said we need to mow the lots on Ash road that the Township owns. The Federal Government claimed that a drone is an unmanned aircraft so insurance will not cover it. Each municipality may have to pay \$10 for the cost of insurance. The County vs. City of Three Rivers were in court and still waiting on an answer on the decision. The township still has a case at the appellate court and haven't heard anything. The City of Three Rivers would like to do bonds of 2.3 million and put it to a vote this fall. On the Agenda for the City of Three Rivers was the Wildcat Drain for US-131. It has been pulled from the agenda until MDOT talks to Fabius and Lockport. Doug said the wildcat drain is 90% in Fabius & Lockport. This could result in an assessment for the township.

Assessors Report: No report available.

Treasurers Report and Bills:

- A. Mike reported the following monthly cash statement.  
Checking balance \$1,626.37 with \$33,167.71 transferred from SMB account, and checks drawn in the amount of \$33,167.71. Outstanding checks are in the amount of \$253.00. Balance of accounts to date are checking account \$1,626.37, SMB savings account \$133,301.42 (\$92,000 for fire truck fund); Flagstar savings account \$250,027.47; Horizon Bank CD \$179,222.44; Kellogg Community Credit Union CD \$76,091.06;

Three Rives Banking Center CD \$112,179.00; and Southern Michigan Escrow account \$12,263.00 for a total of \$764,710.76. Tammy made a motion to accept the treasurers report as presented, file the report and pay the bills. Paul seconded the motion.  
MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Frontier: Mark checked on getting internet service to the township hall from Frontier. The cost would be \$69.99 month with no contract. It would have 1meg and be a wireless modem. Tammy will check and see if Comcast is in the area and the cost.

Dust Control: Mark said the County again is offering application of dust control. There are 3 different treatments to choose from. The Board has been using CC42 and is going to stay with that treatment. It is one application. We have two roads that would have this treatment applied (Meyers and Jacobs). It would cost the township approximately \$1420 with a 50% match from the county. Tammy made a motion to have CC42 applied to Meyers & Jacobs's roads. Mike seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 4-1  
Roll Call Vote: Paul – yes Tammy – yes Theresa – yes Mark – No Mike - yes

#### Committee Reports:

- A. Community Development - No meeting this month
- B. Government Relations - Paul reported the Water Festival is June 14-16. The theme is "TR Gets Fit". There will be a soap box derby on Spring Street on Father's Day in the afternoon. The Chamber is having a Golf outing on August 21<sup>st</sup> at Pineview. There will be a Murder Mystery Dinner on September 29<sup>th</sup> at the Covered Bridge Farm at 6:00pm. The Village of Centreville turned down the marijuana issue. Park Township has said the church bell will stay in Parkville. Constantine will have trash pick up on May 19 & 20 and will be having a golf outing on June 9<sup>th</sup> at Pineview. The City of Three Rivers is still working on their budget.
- C. ZBA - No meeting this month
- D. Elections - Tammy said it was slow but the millage passed. Lockport had 261 votes cast but 145 were absentee ballots. She also said one of the EPB will not update. She called the State of Michigan and they said it was time to buy new. They recommended some and she thought it would be about \$600. We are going to have Dale check them out.
- E. Nottawa Library – There was a lack of quorum for March's meeting. Mike reported that the month of April had 2,280 patrons, monthly circulation 5,097, OverDrive 223, 513 Interlibrary loans and 2,804 came through the door. He said there will be a Library Hop. The Library and Stone School are working together one day a month so the school has larger library access. They are thinking of having meetings every other month. The roof went up fast and is under budget due to a steel roof instead of shingles. The cost is \$110,000.
- F. Centreville Fire Department – Chief Loker reported the fleet of trucks are aging. Last year's budget of 19% was used for maintenance. Rescue #113 is out of

service due to a lot of issues. The cost to do the repairs is \$5,613.80 and doesn't include tires. Truck #113 is 27 years old and is used for ice & water rescue, personal injuries and Jaws of Life. The rescue for Lockport Township comes from the City of Three Rivers. Mutual Aid is coming up again and there may need to be some tweaking. The City of Three Rivers came to Centreville for a structure fire.

- G. Planning – No meeting this month
- H. SCMCCI – No meeting this month
- I. Three Rivers Library – The Library is doing some Fundraisers but will not cover some projects. A wall needs to be revamped so the elevator can have a 5 foot radius. The roof started out to be a project 10 years down the road and now it looks like it will only last 5-7 years. Lockport has 1,306 cardholders. Lockport invests 18.77 % into the library with Fabius and Park making up a total of 50% and none of us have any voting power. Paul will check to see how many Lockport residents use the services at the Library. There was discussion on how to service our residents with the Library.
- J. Water Department – There was no meeting due to a lack of quorum. Mark said the Water Board recommended Kelli Atkinson to fill Wayne Timm's position till 2020. Mark made a motion to appoint Kelli Atkinson to the water board until 2020. Tammy seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Tammy – yes Mike – no Theresa – no Mark – yes Paul – no. MOTION FAILED 3-2. Kelli Atkinson & Linda Baker were interviewed by the water board. Kelli has worked with Wayne before on water items and Linda has served on the water board in the past. Neither one of them uses the township water. Ray Signorella mentioned he would like to see someone on the water board that uses the water. Sherrie Nowicki nominated her husband Joe. It was also mentioned about having a 7 member board. Paul and Dave would like to be at the meeting when the interviewing takes place. Mike made a motion to advertise on the website and the township board will do the interviewing. Paul seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Paul – yes Mark – yes Mike – yes Tammy –yes Theresa – yes  
MOTION CARRIED 5-0
- K. Website – Nothing to report this month.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: Mark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m. Theresa seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The next regular scheduled meeting is June 11, 2018 at the Township Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Babcock - Clerk