

LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
58982 Holtom Rd. Three Rivers, MI
January 8, 2023

Members Present: Mark Major, Mike Friesner, Christy Trammell, Rick Daniels & Donna Grubbs.
Also present: Doug Kuhlman, Dale Hutson, Elena Meadows & Beccy Friesner

Members Absent: none

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Major at 5:00p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Daniels made a motion to accept the agenda, with moving Public Comment to after the Closed session, Grubbs seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Approval of the Consent Agenda: Daniels made a motion to accept the consent agenda which included: December 11, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes, Special Meeting Minutes for December 22, 2023, Treasurer's Cash Statement, Three Rivers Library Report, Nottawa Library Report, Water Board Report, Centreville Fire Chief's Report for November, and Web Site Report. Friesner seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Closed Session Lawyer Consult over Lowry Lawsuit: Daniels made a motion to move in to closed session to discuss with the lawyers the pending litigation that if discussed in public could have adverse impact on the trial or settlement strategies of the lawsuit. Grubbs seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote and the closed session started at 5:03 p.m. At 5:46 p.m. by consent of the Board, they went back into Open Session.

Public Comments: none

Enforcement Officer's Report: Kuhlman provided a written report and noted that there is a petition at the State regarding renewable energy, AirBNB's and they are working on the New Zoning Books for the Planning Commission and estimate the cost to be about \$500.

Assessor's Report: provided a Land Division Report.

Treasurer's Report and Bills: Friesner reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Major made a motion to accept the report, pay the bills and file the report. Daniels seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Daniels made a motion to open a new savings account for the Water Board at Arbor Financial Credit Union which the Certificate of Deposit at that institution that is due to retire would go into that account and to put Mike Friesner, Mark Major and Christy Trammell as signers on the account. Grubbs seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote.

Committee Reports:

- A. Government Relations – none
- B. ZBA – none
- C. Elections – Trammell noted the AV Applications went out and that the projected dates for 2024 are February 27, August 6 & November 5.
- D. Nottawa Library – report was included in the consent agenda.
- E. Centreville Fire Board – meeting will be held this month.
- F. Planning – working on the Countywide Master Plan, Short-term Rental Ordinance and they reappointed the Chair and Vice-Chair on the Board.

- G. Three Rivers Library – report was included in Consent Agenda.
- H. Water Department – report was included in Consent Agenda
- I. Website – report was included in Consent Agenda
- J. Building Committee – Friesner has fixed the exterior lighting at the front and back of the Hall and installed the new AV Ballot Box. The broken window in the Clerk’s office has been replaced the rest of the work should be completed soon.
- K. Roads Committee – Road Repair Projects for 2024 were identified as the Cherry Lane Subdivision, Tim Ave Subdivision and Kellogg Subdivision with the Township’s projected cost to be \$165,000. Daniels made a motion to proceed with the 3 areas identified using the \$130,000 budgeted and \$35,000 from ARPA funds. Friesner seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote.
- L. ARPA Funds Committee – Beccy provided an updated spreadsheet with the expenditures to date and the proposed ones.
- M. Water & Sewer Committee – met with State Rep and State Senator to inform them of the project and request funds.
- N. Lockport, Fabius, Park – will meet January 25th at Fabius Township Hall.

Old Business: Library Contracts were discussed. Daniels made a motion to authorize Attorney Seth Koches to draft a letter to relook at contracts with both the Three Rivers Public Library and the Nottawa Township Library providing them the 6 months’ notice as required by the contract. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote.

New Business: none

Adjournment: Friesner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Grubbs seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

The next regular scheduled meeting is February 12, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christy Trammell
Township Clerk