

LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
58982 Holtom Rd. Three Rivers, MI
June 10, 2024

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 6:27p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Daniels made a motion to accept the agenda, Grubbs seconded the motion.
MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Approval of the Consent Agenda: Grubbs made a motion to accept the consent agenda which included: May 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes, Nottawa Library Report, Three Rivers Library Report, Water Board Report, Centreville Fire Chief's Report for April, Website report and Lockport and Park Joint meeting minutes for June 4, 2024. Daniels seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

A motion was made by Grubbs and seconded by Friesner to accept the minutes from April 8, 2024.
Motion passed 5-0.

Public Comments:

Rick Shaffer commented on the Air BNB challenges and encouraged support for the proposed Ordinance.

Josh Harter noted he is running for the St. Joseph County Drain Commissioner position on the August ballot.

Enforcement Officer's Report: Kuhlman provided a written report of activities and 2 proposed ordinance text amendments addressing Short Term Rentals. The first ordinance text references where they will be allowed. Daniels made a motion to approve the ordinance text amendment as presented. Friesner seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote. The second text amendment presented was the "police powered ordinance" which addressed parking, noise, trash and occupancy rules and limiting the number of short-term rentals to 10 in the township. A motion was made by Grubbs and seconded by Daniels. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote. Kuhlman also noted complaints from the Birchleaf Ct. neighborhood regarding parking construction equipment in a residential neighborhood. A text amendment draft to ordinance 99-11 A was presented which is a vehicle and storage and repair ordinance. Daniels made a motion to approve the ordinance amendment, Friesner seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote. Parking on the streets in Tamarac was discussed and it will be brought back up at the July meeting.

Assessor's Report: Hutson reported there is a protest to value set and taken to the tax tribunal and that Pine Trail residents will have another letter sent out and the survey will be done soon.

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. Friesner noted that there will be a higher balance kept in the checking account now with a balance of \$3,000 minimum.

Committee Reports:

A. Government Relations – none

- B. ZBA – none
- C. Elections – Trammell noted the ballots for the August election will go out yet in June.
- D. Nottawa Library – report was in Consent Agenda.
- E. Centreville Fire Board – the recent fire at the Fair Grounds was discussed.
- F. Planning – meeting in July
- 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 – the generator is ordered and should be installed prior to the August election.
- K. Roads Committee – none
- L. ARPA Funds Committee – will review the expenditures for the remainder of the funds at the budget meeting.
- M. Water & Sewer Committee – meeting will be later this month.
- N. Lockport, Fabius & Park – none

Old Business: Library Contracts – Grubbs and Daniels met with the Three Rivers Public Library and reviewed the contract. Friesner made a motion to propose the same contract that was recently negotiated with the Nottawa Library. Daniels seconded. Motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote.

New Business: there was a recent hit and run accident that was requesting footage from our security cameras.

Adjournment: Grubbs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Daniels seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

The next regular scheduled meeting is July 8, 2024 and a special meeting for the budget on June 28th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christy Trammell
Township Clerk