

**Lansing Township
Annual Meeting
March 9, 2021 8:15 p.m.
Lansing Corners Event Center**

1. Clerk Kristine Allas called the meeting to order.
 - 18 residents were in attendance.
 - Moderator Election
 - i. Nominated: Harold Boverhuis was elected as Moderator.
 - Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. Minutes read by Kristine Allas, Clerk. Robert Morgan moved to accept the Minutes from the 2020 Annual Meeting, seconded by Mark Ratigan. Carried.

3. Treasurer's report read by Treasurer Diana Witt.

Starting balance	\$142,964.57
Receipts	\$501,262.66
Disbursements	\$411,095.42
Ending Balance 12/31/2020	\$233,131.81

Robert Morgan moved to approve as read. Gary Braaten seconded. Carried.

Joyce Reynen made the motion to waive reading of the checks, Steve Torgerson seconded it. Carried.

4. Road Report for 2020 given by Supervisor Gary Braaten.
 - Committee is made up of Mark Ratigan, Gary Braaten, and Bernie Boverhuis.
 - 32.5 miles roadway, 28 gravel and 4.5 blacktop (the .5 was added for Turtle Creek Association paid for the road, and it meets specs, it is now blacktop).
 - 3300 ton of rock at the price of \$46,000 which was the bid from Falk, and applied in June 2020.
 - Calcium Chloride was applied at ½ rate to all residents of the Township.
 - We are hoping the roads stay better with no frost boils and/or soft spots this spring.
 - RDS had lowest bid for ditch mowing.
 - 350 hours on the blade, not much snow, and the ditches will be sprayed this year.
 - No ditch cleaning or brush cleaning last year due to saving the Township funds.

William Ryther made the motion to accept the Road Report, John Ryther seconded. Carried.

5. Zoning Report for 2020 given by Duane Mortensen.
 - Lansing Township did not issue any CUPS or variances.
 - Mower County issued 10 land use permits with a total estimate of \$3,422,178
 - No new homes were built in Lansing Township for 2020
 - If you are considering any building projects, contact myself or Mower County Angie Lipelt. If you go ahead with construction and no permit, it will cost you more.

- Mower County is responsible for issuing Septic System Permits: eleven were issued for 2020. Please review the Mower County site for more information www.co.mower.mn.us.

William Stegemann made the motion to accept the 2020 Zoning Report, Robert Morgan seconded. Carried.

6. Fire Protection Report for 2020 given by Duane Mortensen.

- This is a large portion of the Townships budget for 2021 \$74,311.00 which is a 16.7% increase. (Austin Rural Fire Association includes members of Austin Township and Lansing Township and together we negotiate with the City of Austin to provide fire protection service at the best cost.
 - i. 2018 cost \$73,791.00
 - ii. 2019 cost \$69,437.83
 - iii. 2020 cost \$63,668.07
- 2020 the Township had 17 calls, 1 building fire, 1 crop fire, 1 outside trash fire, 2 vehicle fires, 2 motor vehicle accidents, and 3 emergency medical assist calls with 7 other miscellaneous calls.
- To help offset the cost of fire protection: the Township charges \$750.00 for residential fire call; \$1,000.00 for commercial fire call, and \$500.00 for vehicle fire call. As a general rule homeowners/auto insurance should cover these costs.
- Smoke detectors can be installed for Lansing Township residents 1 free of charge and if need more than one, the Austin Fire Department has them available and could be installed also, call 507 433 3405.

Robert Morgan made the motion to accept the 2020 Fire Protection Report, Lynn Allas seconded. Carried.

7. Subordinate Service District Water/Sewer Report given by Lynn Allas

- Village pumped approximately 9 million gallons of water for year 2020.
- Sewer: 92 Village customers and 21 Andyville customers.
- Yearly flow of wastewater 8 million gallons for year 2020.
- Village SSD Loan: Principle \$306,520 remaining and started at \$680,000 in 2012. Loan interest rate is 2 ¼%, scheduled to be paid off in 2026.
- Andyville SSD: \$21,861 remaining at 1% with being paid off in 2027.
- Revenue: \$110,400 for Village, \$13,104 for Andyville.
- Labor, maintenance, and repair costs = \$58,835.50
- Delinquent accounts have improved from 2019 and are assessed to the residents/business property tax each year.

Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept the report as given, Robert Morgan seconded. Carried.

8. Budget 2022 presented by Duane Mortensen

Joyce Reynen made the motion to approve the levy at \$250,000, Robert Morgan seconded. Carried.

9. Election Results:

- Total of 146 ballots
- Supervisor A: Gary Braaten 92 votes; Supervisor B: Steve Torgerson 77 votes
Cole Jarod Bauer 28 votes

- write-in for Supervisor A: Cole Bauer 3 votes, Mark Wytaske 1 vote. None for Supervisor B.

William Stegeman made the motion to accept the Election Results, William Ryther seconded. Carried.

10. Lynn Allas made the motion to set the Annual Meeting for March 8, 2022, at 8:15 PM, Gary Braaten seconded. Carried.

11. Open Discussion:

John Ryther brought up that we'll need a future budget increase and have money designated.

Lynn Allas stated we as a board are trying to cut the budget as close as we can.

12. Gary Braaten made the motion to adjourn at 10:10 PM and Steve Torgerson seconded. Carried.

13. Board of Canvass was held with Steve Torgerson, Gary Braaten, Mark Ratigan, Lynn Allas, and Duane Mortensen at 10:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine Allas
Clerk, Lansing Township