

Lansing Township Board Minutes
June 20, 2023
Lansing Town Hall

Members Present: Duane Mortensen, Gary Braaten, Steve Torgerson, Robert Morgan, Township Treasurer Diana Witt, Township Clerk Kristine Allas, Bernie Boverhuis, Absent: Mark Ratigan

Chairperson Duane Mortensen opened the meeting at 7:00 pm, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Steve Torgerson made the motion to approve the Agenda, Supervisor Gary Braaten seconded, motion passed.

Chad Wangen of SKB presented the tentative plan to change the cul de sac on the south side, and moved into the road toward the North, into the silt fence. He also expressed the question of "what else does the Township want and the host fee?" Chairperson Duane Mortensen requested that it all be summed up regarding: vacated road & combined the landfills and go through the Township and SKB attorneys to get it done correctly, with whatever # the Township Board comes up with, and when. Chad requested to have a "township project" that the lump sum could go for, and any improvements must be designated, and set it up for Fall 2024, with an annual payment, separate from the Host fee, and Chad will explore the drainage, and the wetland. Chad would be at the July meeting if requested to be.

Supervisor Robert Morgan made the motion to approve the Minutes of May 16th as written, Chairperson Duane Mortensen seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Diana Witt presented the Treasurer's Report with a beginning balance of \$432,494.17 and total ending balance on hand of \$431,934.25, Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, and approve to pay the claims and payroll, Supervisor Steve Torgerson seconded, and motion passed.

Zoning Report: County informational meeting on septic, and Clerk Kristine Allas reported the population demographics for Lansing Township is 915, with an estimate of 358 households.

Subordinate Service District Report presented by Bernie Boverhuis: Water: Pumps and controls working properly at this time with no problems to report this month. All weekly samples taken this month were okay. KLM was not here in May but is rescheduling. Bernie has four more hydrants to flush to complete the process. Repaired damaged wood on structure inside water tower. The total water usage for May was 476,700 gallons. Wastewater: Pumps and controls are currently working as they should. Bernie had MN Pump on June 20 to pull pumps in lift station #1 Pump #2 Pump was amping out and not working. Found rages bound up in propeller, cleaned out and reinstalled working properly now. Pump #1 also had rags in it but was still able to pump, cleaned out and reinstalled, and is working as it should now. Completed second discharge 5/23-5/30. Two samples taken during discharge were okay. Transferred primary to secondary for third and final discharge. Pre-discharge samples taken on 6/5 and were okay for discharge. Third discharge cycle ran from 6/11 through 6/15 and waiting for results of two samples taken during discharge. MN Pump replaced pump and control panel at house in Andyville (G. Winkels) and the average daily flow to ponds for May was 23,000 gallons per day.

Supervisor Robert Morgan made the motion to approve the sheriff serve on George Winkels (due to refusing the certified letter sent) for the invoice sent by Lansing Township for the repairs of the pumps and supplies of \$5,432.75 due upon receipt to the SSD account, Supervisor Steve Torgerson seconded,

and motion approved. Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion for Chairperson Duane Mortensen to contact township attorney Troy Gilchrist, after speaking with Scott Ulland (realtor for the Winkels property), Supervisor Robert Morgan seconded. Treasurer Diana Witt has been collaborating with several residents regarding paying their delinquent SSD invoices; to which the SSD Committee will meet July 10 at 6 pm.

Road Committee Report: Supervisor Gary Braaten reported the rock has been ½ complete on the east side of the township, and Bernie Boverhuis has been grading and smoothing the road rock, and the west side is happening currently. Dust control can be applied anytime. Dave Hiller will be cutting road ditches next week. Chad from Ziegler says the grader may be here around October. A culvert was put in on 250th St. Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion to start the process for financing (\$55,089.51 be paid this month) for the Cat grader (Supervisor Gary Braaten & Chairperson Duane Mortensen), Supervisor Steve Torgerson seconded. Motion passed.

Firecalls: None.

Website Update: Duane Mortensen and Clerk Allas will work on finding help.

Supervisor Steve Torgerson made the motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m., Supervisor Duane Mortensen seconded, and motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristine M. Allas, Clerk