

MINUTES OF LASALLE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 19, 2021
7:00 P.M.

Item 1. Supervisor Goldsmith called the meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Item 2. Roll Call: Board members present were Trustee Willis, Trustee Anteau, Treasurer Durocher, Supervisor Goldsmith and Clerk Morr.

Item 3. Budget Transfers/ Amendments: None

Item 4. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of the consent agenda:
- b. Approval of Minutes:
 1. Regular Board Meeting of March 15, 2021.
 2. Budget Workshop Meeting of March 22, 2021.
 3. Budget Hearing Meeting of March 30, 2021.
- c. Approval of the bill list, payroll, checks 14503 to 14558, totaling \$52,966.99.
- d. Approval of Fire Department bill list, 1709-1724, totaling \$7,681.55.
- e. Approval of Sewer O&M bill list, checks 1534-1536, totaling \$24,577.77.
- f. Approval of Yargerville Debt Fund bill list, checks 1053, totaling \$22,600.00.
- g. Correspondence:
 1. DTE Electric Company Case NO. U-21015.
 2. Michigan Gas Utilities Company Case NO. U-20718.
 3. Consumer Energy Company Case NO. U-20849.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Clerk Morr, to approve the consent agenda, approval of minutes as presented by Clerk Morr, approval of bill list, payroll (checks 14503 to 14558, totaling \$52,966.99) Fire Department bill list (checks 1709-1724, totaling \$7,681.55), Sewer O&M bill list, (1534-1536, totaling \$24,577.77), Yargerville Debt Fund bill list (checks 1053, totaling \$22,600.00). **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

Item 5. Unfinished Business:

Item 6. Reports:

- a. Building Department: Mr. LaPointe reported 16 permit issued in March 2021 totaling \$2,716.00 collected in permit fees as presented.
- b. Fire Chief: As presented by Chief Howe, 43 calls for March 2021. The report included 22 medical calls, 7 P.I.A, 6 grass fires, 1 fire alarm, 2 good intent, 1 illegal burn, and 1 lift assist, Mutual Aid Assist 2 Monroe township and 1 Ida Township, had an average response time of 5.8 minutes, with an average of 6 firefighters per call. Chief Howe stated that the new Rescue truck will be put into service Wednesday April 21, 2021.
- c. Attorney: Attorney Bondy's report presented by Supervisor Goldsmith. General Matters, Building Matters, ZBA and Assessing.
- d. Blight Inspector: As presented by Supervisor Goldsmith.

A MOTION was made by Clerk Morr, supported by Trustee Willis to approve the monthly reports as presented from the Building Department, Fire Department, Attorney and Blight Inspector. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

Item 7. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Durocher presented the monthly activity report for March 2021. Treasurer Durocher stated that State Revenue Shares were received in the amount of \$71,000.00 and 2020 taxes were collected and disbursed. General Fund received \$130,428.00, Fire Department received \$ 132,520.00, Yargerville Assessment received \$15,438.00, Belleterre assessment received \$4,500.00 and N. Lakeshore/Grandview assessment received \$24,900.00. **A MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Trustee Willis to approve the Treasurer's report of March 2021 as presented. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

Item 8. Commission or Board Reports:

- a. Planning Commission: Meeting March 18, 2021 & April 15, 2021.
 1. **SHM Toledo Beach Marina LLC** of 14798 Preston Rd Suite 975 Dallas, TX 75254 parcel #5809-185-001-02, are requesting site plan review to reconstruct Rack & Launch Storage Building due to fire loss. The new building will be 75,000 square feet. LaSalle Township Ordinance #55, Section 5.41. See plans. The new building will be located at 11840 Toledo Beach Rd, LaSalle, MI 48145. **Approved.**
 2. **Planning Commission Year-end Report.** **A MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Treasurer Durocher to approve to accept the Year-end Report as presented by Trustee Willis. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

- b. Zoning Board of Appeals: Meeting March 23, 2021.
 1. **SHM Toledo Beach Marina, LLC of 14785 Preston Rd, Suite 975., Dallas, TX 75254**, parcel # 5809-185-001-02 is requesting a variance of 14' 2" from the max building height of 30' for this district. Applicant is proposing an overall building height of 44' 2" from LaSalle Township Ordinance #55, Section 15.5. **Approved.**
 2. **Next meeting April 27, 2021**
 A **MOTION** was made by Clerk Morr, supported by Trustee Willis to approve Board reports as presented. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

Item 9. New Business:

- a. Approval of 2021-2022 stipend increase as presented by Supervisor Goldsmith, these amounts were discussed at the Budget Workshop and Budget Hearing to increase stipends by Clerk Morr suggested to give a \$50.00 increase in their stipend so all board members, full time employee and employees grandfathered in would receive the same amount of raise to their stipend. Due to Gaye Lambert going part time, she will loss her benefits including stipend, vacation, and sick pay and would go from \$14.00 an hour to \$15.00 an hour. A **MOTION** was made by Clerk Morr, supported by Trustee Anteau to approve stipend and raises as presented by Supervisor Goldsmith. **Roll Call Vote:** Treasurer Durocher-yes, Trustee Anteau-yes, Trustee Willis-yes, Supervisor Goldsmith-yes and Clerk Morr Yes. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.
- b. Approval of Election Inspector raises as presented by Clerk Morr, election workers would go from \$11.00 an hour to \$12.00 an hour and the receiving board would receive \$50.00 a precinct plus \$12.00 an hour. **The MOTION** was made by Trustee Willis supported by Trustee Anteau to approve the raise for election workers from \$11.00 an hour to \$12.00 an hour and receiving board would receive \$50.00 a precinct plus \$12.00 an hour as presented by Clerk Morr. **Roll Call Vote:** Supervisor Goldsmith-yes, Trustee Anteau-yes, Trustee Willis-yes, Treasurer Durocher-yes and Clerk Morr-yes. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.
- c. Discussion on the purchase of lawn mower to mow the fire department and office complex lawns. Supervisor budgeted money for a new lawn mower at the Budget Hearing. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Trustee Willis to approve the purchase of a lawn mower not to exceed \$7,500.00. **Roll Call Vote:** Treasurer Durocher-yes, Trustee Willis-yes, Trustee Anteau-yes, Supervisor Goldsmith-yes and Clerk Morr-yes. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.
 Clerk Morr stated that the township insurance agent suggested hiring a fireman to maintain the office complex and fire department lawns. There were 2 fireman were interested but 1 backed out realizing that the lawn maintenance was a large job. A **MOTION** was made by Clerk Morr, supported by Trustee Anteau to hire Randy Howe at \$14.50 an hour to maintain the office complex and the fire department lawns. **Roll Call Vote:** Clerk Morr-yes, Supervisor Goldsmith-yes, Trustee Willis-yes, Treasurer Durocher-yes, and Trustee Anteau-yes. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.
- d. Approval to have May as Motorcycle Awareness Month. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Treasurer Durocher to approve May as Motorcycle Awareness Month. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.
- e. Approval of contribution to Monroe Center for Healthy Aging in the amount of \$600.00. Supervisor Goldsmith stated that this contribution has been done yearly by the township board. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Willis, supported by Clerk Morr to approve the contribution of \$600.00 to Monroe Center for Healthy Aging. **Roll Call Vote:** Supervisor Goldsmith-yes, Treasurer Durocher-yes, Trustee Willis-yes, Trustee Anteau-yes and Clerk Morr-yes. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.
- f. Approval of Mike White's Resignation. Supervisor Goldsmith read Mike White's resignation to the township board and residents. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Treasurer Durocher to regretfully accept Mike White's resignation. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.
- g. Approval to post Blight Officer Ad in the paper. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Trustee Willis to approve the posting presented by Clerk Morr for Blight Inspector in the paper on April 23,2021, April 24, 2021, April 25, 2021 and the application are to back to the township by May 6, 2021 at 4:00 pm. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

Item 10. Supervisor's Report:

- a. South County Water Board: April 15, 2021.
- b. Goins Property Discussion. Mr. Metz, Ms. Goins and Ms. Goins Attorney was in attendance. Supervisor Goldsmith stated the township Attorney Fred Lucas was inquiring if the Goins and Metz's have come to a mutual agreement on the property would the township let them build a house on the property in question. Mr. Metz stated that he has the ingress/egress easement not a utility easement and has never denied anyone from using it. Goin's Attorney read their opinion from Title Company. Supervisor Goldsmith stated that another title company has a different opinion. The Board discussed the property not having frontage and would have to go before the ZBA, but the Goins would be asking for a very large variance. Trustee Willis stated that the Township Board was not the board to deal with this. Ms. Goins was told that the property was an unbuildable lot before purchasing the property. **A MOTION** was made by Supervisor Goldsmith, supported by Clerk Morr to continue in the direction the case is already headed and let the judge decide the outcome. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

Item 11. Other Board Members: Clerk Morr stated that the May 4, 2021 election is actively progressing as predicted and we have received a lot of ballots back already. Clerk Morr informed the board and residents in attendance that Thursday April 22, 2021 the Public Accuracy test will be held at 4:30 pm.

Trustee Willis asked on the progress of the Township reassessment being done by the assessor. Supervisor Goldsmith stated the assessor was on schedule with the reassessment and sketching.

Item 12. Open to the Public: Public comment began at 8:06 pm. There was 1 comment received. Ended at 8:08 p.m.

Item 13. Date of the Next Regular Board Meeting: May 17, 2021 (Monday).

Item 14. Adjournment: **A MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Trustee Willis to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. **The MOTION** carried 5-0.

LaDeana Morr, Clerk