

MINUTES OF LASALLE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
July 18, 2022
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, Supervisor Goldsmith and Clerk Morr. Absent Treasurer Durocher.

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 June 20, 2022.
- c. Approval of the bill list, payroll, checks 15625-15677, totaling \$83,155.66.
- d. Approval of Fire Department bill list, checks 1867-1877, totaling \$10,203.43.
- e. Approval of Sewer O&M bill list, checks 1562-1564, totaling \$27,652.62.
- f. Correspondence:
 1. Charter Communications.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Willis, supported by Clerk Morr, to approve the consent agenda as presented, approval of minutes as presented by Supervisor Goldsmith, approval of bill list, payroll (checks 15625-15677, totaling \$83,155.66) Fire Department bill list (checks 1867-1877, totaling \$10,203.43), Sewer O&M bill list (check 1565-1566, totaling \$27,652.62). **The MOTION** carried 4-0.

Item 5. Unfinished Business:

- a. Approval to enter into contract to do engineering for culverts for Minx Rd Project. **A MOTION** was made by Clerk Morr, supported by Trustee Willis to table until next month. **The MOTION** carried 4-0. Supervisor Goldsmith and Ida Supervisor Metz will be meeting with Drain Commission about Minx Rd.

Item 6. Reports:

- a. Building Department: Mr. LaPointe reported 20 permits issued in June 2022 totaling \$1,867.05 collected in permit fees as presented.
- b. Fire Chief: As presented by Chief Howe, 34 calls for June 2022. The report included 23 medical calls, 3 P.I.A, 2 lift assist, 1 grass fire and 2 downed wire, and Mutual Aid 2 to Monroe Twp and 1 to Frenchtown Twp, had an average response time of 6 minutes, with an average of 5 firefighters per call. Chief Howe stated that Firefighter DeSloover was promoted to Lieutenant 1. Chief Howe asked to purchase 6- 4inch hard suction hoses, drafting strainers and filters/adaptors for the fire trucks in the amount of \$7,374.00. Chief Howe explained that the fire trucks have 6-inch hoses and the hydrants are 4 inches, this makes it difficult to draft. **A MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Clerk Morr to approve the purchase 6- 4-inch hoses, strainers and fittings for the fire trucks in the amount of \$7,374.00. **Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Willis-yes, Trustee Anteau-yes, Supervisor Goldsmith -yes and Clerk Morr-yes. **The Motion** carried 4-0.
- c. Attorney: Attorney Bondy's report presented by Supervisor Goldsmith. General Matters, Fire Department, Planning & Building Matters.
- 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 4-0.

Item 7. Treasurer's Report: Clerk Morr presented the monthly activity Treasurer reports for June 2022. **A MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Trustee Willis to approve the Treasurer's report of June 2022 as presented. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.

Item 8. Commission or Board Reports:

- a. Planning Commission: Next meeting July 19, 2022.
- b. Zoning Board of Appeals: May 31, 2022. Next Meeting June 28, 2022.
 1. **Thomas Orr of 13320 LaPlaisance Woods, LaSalle, MI 48145**, parcel # 5809-210-015-00 is requesting a side yard variance to construct a sunroom, from LaSalle Township Ordinance #55, R-1 District Article XVIII schedule of Regulations. **Approved**
 2. **Brian & Geraldine Paules of 6350 Avenue F, LaSalle, MI 48145**, parcel # 5809-180-176-00 are requesting a rear yard setback, from LaSalle Township Ordinance #55, section 5.17 Accessory Buildings. **Approved**

A **MOTION** was made by Clerk Morr, supported by Trustee Willis to approve Board reports as presented. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.

Item 9. New Business:

- a. Approval of Land Division and Combination Ordinance and adopt new land division application. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Willis, supported by Clerk Morr to table until August 15, 2022 meeting. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.
- b. Approval to enter into a lease agreement with Quadient for a new mail machine. Clerk Morr explained that the company can't service the current mail machine due to parts being unavailable. Clerk Morr stated that the new machine is \$3.18 more a month. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Willis, supported by Trustee Anteau to approve to enter into a lease agreement with Quadient for a new mail machine for the cost of \$170.99 a month. **Roll Call Vote:** Supervisor Goldsmith-yes, Clerk Morr-yes, Trustee Anteau-yes and Trustee Willis-yes. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.
- c. Approval to purchase an extra ballot box for the November 2022 election in the amount of \$1,131.78. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Trustee Willis to approve the purchase of an extra ballot box for the November 2022 election in the amount of \$1,131.78. **Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Anteau-yes, Supervisor Goldsmith-yes, Clerk Morr-yes, and Trustee Willis-yes. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.
- d. Approval to accept Treasurer Durocher's resignation. Supervisor Goldsmith stated that he had talk to the township attorney on the proper procedures for the resignation of a board member. Supervisor Goldsmith stated that LaSalle Township Board recognizes the resignation letter from Treasurer Durocher, however will not be accepted until such a time as a new Treasurer can be appointed to fill the position. Clerk Morr read a letter from Deputy Treasurer Suzanne Zorn. Clerk Morr stated that there have been 2 applications received and a few other residents that are interested in the position. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Clerk Morr to have a special meeting on July 22, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. to appoint a new Treasurer. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.
- e. Discussion on Sewer Billing. Supervisor present information from the Drain Commission stating that the township has been under billing the residents for sewer and the Drain Commission recommends increasing the amount from \$55.00 to \$60.51 monthly for part B of the sewer billing. A **MOTION** was made by Clerk Morr, supported by Trustee Willis to approve the recommendation from the Drain Commission for the increase of the sewer billing. **Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Anteau-yes. Trustee Willis-yes, Supervisor Goldsmith-yes and Clerk Morr-yes. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.

Item 10. Supervisor's Report:

- a. South County Water Board: July 21, 2022.
- b. Speaker system. A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Clerk Morr to approve the purchase of a new speaker system not to exceed \$1,000.00. **Roll Call Vote:** Supervisor Goldsmith-yes, Trustee Willis-yes, Trustee Anteau-yes and Clerk Morr-yes. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.

Item 11. Other Board Members: Clerk Morr stated that the testing of the election equipment has had some complications and the programming had to be re-done. Clerk Morr stated that at the public testing held on July 21, 2022 all 3 machines will be re-tested.

Item 12. Open to the Public: Public comment began at 7:53 p.m. There were 4 comments received. Ended at 7:58 p.m.

Item 13. Date of the Next Regular Board Meeting: August 15, 2022 (Monday).

Item 14. Adjournment: A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Anteau, supported by Trustee Willis to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. **The MOTION** carried 4-0.

LaDeana Morr, Clerk