

MINUTES
LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
May 18, 2021
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor John Gast at 7:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Payne called the roll. Board members present were John Gast, Supervisor; Gloria Payne, Clerk; Robert Clark, Treasurer; Mike Essig, Trustee; Zach Carson, Trustee; Nancy Mensinger, Trustee and John Wilk, Trustee. A quorum of the board was present. Four visitors were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda stands as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 20, 2021

It was moved by Essig seconded by Mensinger to approve the April 20, 2021 meeting minutes. All ayes, motion carried.

Special Board Meeting April 29, 2021

It was moved by Wilk seconded by Clark to approve the special board meetings minutes of April 29, 2021. All ayes, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Clark seconded by Carson to approve the April 2021 bills in the amount of \$325,948.67. All ayes, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE PACKET

Lake Charter Township account balances for April 2021.

Supervisor's Report

Attached.

Clerk's Report

Attached.

Treasurer's Report

Attached.

Planning Commission Report

Lake Charter Township Planning Commission Meeting minutes are on file in the Township Hall offices.

Water Plant Report

Attached.

GRSD Sewer Authority Report

Galien River Sewer District Authority meeting minutes attached.

Police Department

Baroda-Lake Township Police Board regular meeting minutes of March 9, 2021 attached.

Baroda-Lake Township Police Board special meeting minutes of April 21, 2021 attached.

Fire Department Report

None.

Park Committee Report

Attached.

Library Report

Dennis Kreps, Bridgman Public Library Director was present. He reported on the Library Happenings, which is attached.

Bridgman Public Library meeting minutes of March 23, 2021 attached.

Cemetery Committee Report

Attached.

Building/Mechanical/Plumbing/Electrical Department Report

Attached.

Lake Township Economic Growth Alliance Report

Attached.

Medic One Report

Medic One information attached.

Utility Committee Report

Attached.

Capital Improvement Report

No meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals Report

The Lake Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals meeting minutes are on file.

AGENDA ITEMS

Hopkins Lane Watermain Project No. 20-242

Supervisor Gast introduced Rob Andrew of Merritt Midwest, Inc., who directed board members attention to the construction bids received for the proposed Hopkins Lane Watermain project.

As shown in the bid tabulation, two bids were received. Southwest Transport, \$72,720.00 and Kalin Construction \$77,275.00. Both companies have been in business for many years providing excavating and underground construction services.

Southwest Transport is a smaller construction company which has successfully completed projects for Lake Charter Township and other area municipalities. Southwest Transport's proposed completion date is July 31, 2021.

Kalin Construction is a larger company with multiple crews. Kalin has successfully completed several projects for Lake Charter Township and numerous projects for other area municipalities. Kalin's proposed completion date is October 15, 2021.

In the opinion of Merritt Midwest, Inc., both companies are qualified to perform the work.

After comments and questions from board members, it was moved by Gast seconded by Wilk to accept the bid of Southwest Transport in the amount of \$72,720.00 for the Hopkins Lane Watermain Project No. 20-242.

Roll Call Vote: Gast yes; Payne yes; Clark yes; Carson yes; Essig yes; Mensinger yes and Wilk yes. Motion carried.

Approve Purchase of Water Meters - Lake Charter Township Water Plant

Supervisor Gast reported that Jeff Burkhard, Superintendent of the Lake Charter Township Water Plant and Toby Riley, Assistant Superintendent of the Lake Charter Township Water Plant received a quote from Etna for purchase of 24 3/4" Sensus iPerl meters at \$145.00 each for a total of \$3,480.00 and 12 1" Sensus iPerl meters at \$250.00 each for a total of \$3,000.00. Due to the global economic recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic, there is a surge in demand for goods, specifically components. Consequently, it is prudent to order meters at this time at this price. Further, to avoid a possible increase in price.

If was moved by Payne seconded by Mensinger to approve purchasing from Etna, 24 3/4" Sensus iPerl meters at \$145.00 each for a total of \$3,480.00 and 12 1" Sensus iPerl meters at \$250.00 each for a total of \$3,000.00. Total cost \$6,480.00 All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Trustee Mensinger remarked the CGA meeting at Lake Charter Township Park was very nice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.

Lake Charter Township Planning Commission is scheduled for June 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Charter Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.

Lake Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals is scheduled for June 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Charter Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.

Township Hall Offices will be closed May 31, 2021 in observance of Memorial Day.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further objection and no further business it was moved by Payne seconded by Wilk to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Dated: _____

Gloria A. Payne, Clerk

Dated: _____

John Gast, Supervisor