

**WEST TRAVERSE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, November 9, 2021**

Supervisor Bartlett called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Roll Call: Mooradian, Hollingsworth, Bartlett, Baiardi

Absent: David Green

Visitors: John Riggs, Paul Mooradian, Amy Peters, Michael Behrmann, DeAnne Schlappi, Lyndsay Woods, Alan Schlappi

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Approval of Agenda and Additional Items: **Hollingsworth moved to approve the agenda. Mooradian seconded the motion. Approved by consensus.**

Public Comments: Michael Behrmann, Superintendent of the School District, presented a Bond Proposal for the May 2022 ballot, and followed up with a handout with a link to a survey that he requested we take.

Bartlett introduced the office secretary Amy Peters.

Approval of Minutes: **Hollingsworth moved to approve the Minutes of the October 12, 2021 Regular Meeting as presented. Mooradian seconded the motion. Approved by consensus.**

Correspondence: Correspondence was reviewed.

Thorne Swift Report: Riggs presented his written report. Bartlett states Riggs has submitted some requests for expenditures for next year and asked they be considered when the budget process begins. Mooradian inquired about t-shirt inventory and needs for the next year. Riggs stated they were low on different sizes this season. Bartlett inquired about inventory of items. Peters had counted them to confirm numbers with Riggs.

Large Gathering Ordinance Review: Bartlett reviewed the email he sent to Attorney Joel Wurster of the 6 different items that were discussed at the previous meeting. Wurster had concerns about the enforceability of gatherings during certain hours, because of the Constitutional protection. Wurster advised to leave it as worded. The board reviewed and discussed the rest of the sections. Bartlett will talk with Wurster about section 4d and get clarification.

Benchmark Water System Improvement Plan using ARPA Funds: Supervisor reported on the meeting with Benchmark and the plans for Water System Improvement. A new handout of the schematic and cost of the project was provided. Bartlett stated construction costs for the water

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main is a little less than the original estimate, but the road cost is considerably more expensive due to paving of the full width. Bartlett feels we probably should not start this project in the summer of 2022 but rather the summer or fall of 2023. Mooradian inquired about cost increases. Costs are difficult to predict now but Benchmark plans on a possible 10% increase. Board discussed a good time to start the project. All agree to allow Benchmark to prepare the engineering portion of the project.

Review of Trial Balance dated 10/31/21: No comments or questions.

Consider appointing Rick Baker as ZBA alternate to replace Nancy Sarowski who resigned and whose term expires 12/31/22: **Bartlett moved to approve Rick Baker as ZBA alternate. Hollingsworth seconded the motion. Approved by consensus.**

Consider increasing terms on the Recreation/Thorn Swift, Sewer and Water committees from one year to two or three years: **Baiardi made a motion to increase terms on the Recreation/Thorne Swift, Sewer and Water committees from one to three years. Mooradian seconded the motion. Approved by consensus.**

Clerk Report: The Clerk gave her report.

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer gave her report.

Planning Commission: White had already put in his report, the agenda items for the Planning Commission meeting. Baiardi had nothing further.

Zoning Administrator: White had provided his written report along with permit list from the County.

Recreation/Thorne Swift Committee: None

LTBBOI Litigation: Bartlett stated there was some activity to keep the door open and it isn't quite over yet.

Supervisor: Bartlett had no further report.

Approve Payables & Payroll: Baiardi stated the landscaping is a little higher than normal due to ramp cleaning that is done before elections to eliminate the wet leaves and acorns. **Hollingsworth moved to approve payables and payroll as presented, Mooradian seconded the motion. Approved by consensus.**

Public comments: Alan Schlappi met with Bartlett and White and have been told they have done a good job with cleanup. Paul Mooradian had some comments on the large gathering ordinance and the LTBBOI Litigation.

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Board comments: None

Next Regular Meeting – Tuesday, December 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Supervisor Bartlett adjourned the meeting at 6:47pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Cindy J. Baiardi, Clerk

Transcribed by:
Paige Fisher

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