

Minutes of the Meeting of the Lincoln Township Board  
Thursday, October 12, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Lincoln Township Board was held at the Lincoln Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Supervisor Gerald Wenkel. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with Supervisor Gerald Wenkel, Treasurer Manda Haas, Clerk Kristie Damron, Trustee Noreen Walter, Trustee Brenda Damron attending.

The meeting minutes from the September meeting were presented and read. Treasurer Haas made a motion to approve the minutes and Trustee Walter seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was submitted by Treasurer Haas. Motion made by Trustee Damron to approve Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried.

There was a motion by Trustee Damron to move \$5,000 from the marijuana fund to the fire fund. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried. Treasurer Haas worked with Republic Services to determine there are 417 garbage parcels and the information was sent to equalization for review.

Treasurer Haas received a 87 cent check in the mail from the Arenac County Treasurer's Office for property tax with 40 cents going to the road funds, 35 cents going to the operation fund and 12 cents going to the administration fund and has requested to place the full amount of the check into the road fund. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried.

The bank accounts located at Huntington National Bank have had an increase in fees. \$20 per month is being charged on the prestige account and \$5 on the marijuana account. Trustee Haas will be contacting Huntington about the fees and will provide an update at the next meeting.

Correspondences were read. Trustee Damron presented applications for Christmas for Kids for families with need. Brenda Matt will have applications available at the Standish Historical Train Depot.

Motion made by Treasurer Haas to pay the bills as presented. Seconded by Trustee Walter. Motion carried.

Meeting was open to the public with 0 citizen(s) in attendance.

Supervisor Wenkel gave the fire authority report regarding the regular monthly meeting. There were no current offers on the Jaws of Life. The breaks on the Suburban went out and are currently being replaced. Truck 1321 has issues with pumping and is currently being looked at to possibly replace. There has been a quote to replace four entrance doors at a cost of \$25,000 and the fire authority is looking to have more quotes completed. The fire authority will be taking part in the Trunk-and-Treat and complete ride arounds during Devil's Night. School program is taking place October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. There is a JAWS training upcoming. There will be

no Firefighter I Training in Arenac or Iosco Counties this year, as the state has pulled funding. The authority was going to check with SMOKE to see if there is going to be training will be offered in other counties. Fire Authority received \$50,000 grant from the Michigan Treasury for turnout gear. Any turnout gear older than 10 years old must be disposed of and the current gear that is being used is 8-9 years old and will be replaced with this grant. There was a closed session meeting to discuss security of accounts and computer (cybersecurity). The truck replacing the Suburban has had the lettering added and the Suburban will be auctioned off. Next meeting is Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 5:30 at the fire station.

There is no assessor's report.

Zoning report given by Brenda Matt. There were no permits given. There was a call from a citizen about a property beside them asking that the township require a clean-up of the property as there is blight and tires scattered around the property. Brenda explained to the caller that because there is no blight ordinance, there is nothing that can be done about it. Brenda took a class from the Cannabis Regulatory Agency (CRA).

There has been a movement started to be able to add accessory dwelling units onto properties. The City of Ann Arbor is currently allowing this and Deep River township is working on a resolution. The units can be maximum of 720sqft or half the size of the original dwelling, whichever is smaller. Brenda would like to make a move to change the dedicated splits from "150ft frontage with one acre" to "150ft width with one acre."

Treasurer Haas will contact Gina Castle from Arenac Opportunities to see if she knows anyone that can be hired to clean the hall.

Road graveling project has been completed. There was metal rebar in the crushed cement. Arenac County went over the road with a magnet but could not pick up all of the rebar in the gravel. Arenac County went over the road again with a 9,000-pound magnet from the company that crushed the cement and had workers walk the road for any additional metal rebar in the gravel.

Supervisor Wenkel had Waste Management pick up the dumpster located at the ball diamonds and request that it be kept until we call again in March for it to be returned when use of the diamonds starts again. Also had Waste Management pick up the recycling bin. Supervisor Wenkel stated that he will winterize the park within the next few weeks.

Treasurer Haas applied for the 2% Saginaw Chippewa Tribe grant for the Master Plan at a cost of \$15,000.00.

Requested that Ball Club pay a fee to use the ball fields. The Ball Club uses the ball fields from March to July. We will be requesting the Ball Club to sign a contract and nail down dates so the pavilion can be rented in the future to interested citizens. Supervisor Wenkel will check on contract with Curtis Broughton.

MTA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 19, 2023.

GIS meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 26, 2023.

Motion to adjourn made by Treasurer Haas. Seconded by Clerk Damron. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2023.

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Kristie Damron, Clerk

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Gerald Wenkel, Supervisor