

**REGULAR MEETING
LENOX TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARCH 6, 2023**

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| 1. CALL TO ORDER: | 6:30 PM |
| MEMBERS PRESENT: | Reeder, Kandell, Honold, Clifford, Gurley |
| RESIDENTS AND GUESTS PRESENT: | 20 |
| 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | |
| 3. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA | |

Motion: Kandell Support: Honold

Motion to approve the Meeting Agenda as amended with the addition of:

- New Business** e. A & B Commercial Cleaning Contract Renewal, and
f. Food Truck Ordinance.

All Ayes. Motion passes.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Honold Support: Gurley

Motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 6, 2023 as presented. All Ayes. Motion passes.

5. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Public Announcements at this time.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no Comments from the Public at this time.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under this Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Township Board and will be enacted by one motion. According to established Township meeting rules, there will be no separate discussion of these items, unless a member of the Board or public so requests at or prior to the meeting, in which event the chair of the meeting may remove such item(s) from the Consent Agenda for discussion and consideration under Agenda Item No. 8, below. Approval of the Consent Agenda shall be by a majority roll call vote of those present and voting. Under the Consent Agenda are items a. Public Safety Report, b. EMS Report, c. DPW Report, d. Code Enforcement Report, e. Assessing Department Report, f. Engineer Report, g. Planner Report, h. Library Report, i. Senior Center Report, j. Supervisor's Report, k. Treasurer's Report, l. Orders and Bills, m. Trustees Report, n. Clerk's Report.

Clerk Kandell explained that there is \$1,882,428.22 in invoices that need to be paid at this meeting. The bulk of this amount comes from the spring debt payments to the Macomb County Public Works Department for the sewer interceptor.

Motion: Honold Support: Gurley

Motion to accept the Consent Agenda with the Orders and Bills in the amount of \$1,882,428.22.

Roll Call Vote: Honold- Aye, Gurley- Aye, Reeder- Aye, Kandell- Aye, Clifford- Aye. Motion passes.

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

j. Public Safety Report

Public Safety Director Jeff White presented four young men, Andrew Burnside, Trevor Butt, Chris Harrison, and Adam Irish, who have completed all required training and have finished their probationary periods. They stood together and affirmed the oath after which significant people in their life pinned their badges on them. A robust round of applause and standing ovation was held for the new Lenox Township Firefighters, who have sworn to serve their community while sacrificing time with their families and friends.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. NICKEL AND SAPH ASSET MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL

Supervisor Reeder explained that the legal staff needs additional time to review the Asset Management Proposal and recommends that it be tabled for 30 days.

Motion: Kandell Support: Clifford

Motion to table the Nickel and Saph Asset Management Proposal until the April Board Meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Kandell- Aye, Clifford- Aye, Gurley- Aye, Honold- Aye, Reeder- Aye. Motion passes.

All Ayes. Motion passes.

B. PARK PROPERTY LEASE AGREEMENT

Supervisor Reeder explained that additional time is needed to amend the lease properly; therefore, this item should be tabled until the next regular meeting.

Motion: Kandell Support: Clifford

Motion to table the Park Property Lease Agreement until April's Board of Trustees Meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Kandell- Aye, Clifford- Aye, Honold- Aye, Reeder- Aye, Gurley- Aye. Motion passes.

All Ayes. Motion passes.

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. FOOD TRUCK MORATORIUM EXTENSION

Supervisor Reeder detailed the Food Truck Moratorium reporting that there are several decisions to be made before the moratorium is lifted. The number of applications, the acceptable hours, and the fee schedule must be assessed.

Motion: Kandell Support: Honold

Motion to extend the Food Truck Moratorium until such a time as the Food Truck Ordinance is effectively in place.

Roll Call Vote: Kandell- Aye, Honold- Aye, Clifford- Aye, Gurley- Aye, Reeder- Aye. Motion passes.

b. LENOX TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL LOGO

Clerk Kandell reported that this item is regarding the use of different logos within the Township; the Township Attorney has recommended that this issue be turned over to his firm for a legal review.

Motion: Kandell Support: Gurley

Motion to table this item and turn the Lenox Township Official Logo issue over to the Township Attorney for legal review and opinion.

Roll Call Vote: Kandell- Aye, Gurley- Aye, Honold- Aye, Clifford- Aye, Reeder- Aye. Motion passes.

c. DEPARTMENT OF ROADS LIMESTONE RECOMMENDATIONS

Supervisor Reeder reported that the DPW Superintendent with the Township Engineer recommended the following roads to be considered for limestone application: Werderman Road from 28 Mile west to New Haven Road, 2.5 miles and 28 Mile Road from the Deer Creek Drain west to New Haven Road, .5 miles.

Reeder personally disagreed with improving Werderman Road, as he lives on Werderman, the County maintains the road more vigorously than other roads in the area- he would prefer that the application go to the secondary location that was proposed, which was Bates Road from 26 Mile Road north to New Haven Road.

Treasurer Honold remarked that it does not really matter what roads the Board of Trustees recommends as the County will improve the roads that they feel are most in need.

Clerk Kandell stated that she understood that Werderman Road has never been enhanced with limestone, which is the reason that it was chosen this year. She believes that the Board should follow the recommendation of the DPW Superintendent and the Township Engineer, as they travel the roads regularly and have been recommending road improvements for many years. The Department of Roads will likely choose the roads they think could benefit the most.

Supervisor Reeder reported that the Department of Roads has now taken charge of choosing the roads, taking the decision making out of the Township's hands.

Trustee Clifford stated that he would prefer that the decision be left to the DPW Staff that are often driving on the roads.

Motion: Kandell Support: Clifford

Motion to approve the limestone recommendations that were set forward by DPW Superintendent Trombly and Township Engineer Saif.

Roll Call Vote: Kandell- Aye, Clifford- Aye, Gurley- Aye, Reeder- Nay, Honold- Aye. Motion passes.

d. VILLAGE OF NEW HAVEN FIREWORK PROPOSAL REQUEST

Supervisor Reeder explained that as in previous years, the Village of New Haven has approached Lenox Township to renew the partnership for fireworks for their annual Independence Celebration. Due to inflation, the price has increased to \$12,000.00, so the Township's portion would be raised from \$5,000.00 to \$6,000.00.

Motion: Clifford Support: Reeder

Motion to approve the request from the Village of New Haven to partner with them for the 2023 Independence Celebration Fireworks at the cost of \$6,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: Clifford- Aye, Reeder- Aye, Kandell- Nay, Gurley- Aye, Honold- Nay. Motion passes.

e. A & B COMMERCIAL CLEANING CONTRACT RENEWAL

Clerk Kandell explained that the contract for the current cleaning company is near expiration. There has been a slight increase from the last contract, they are now proposing \$255.00 for one cleaning per week.

Motion: Clifford Support: Kandell

Motion to approve the renewal of A & B Commercial Cleaning at the cost of \$255.00 per week for cleaning services.

Roll Call Vote: Clifford- Aye, Kandell- Aye, Gurley- Aye, Reeder- Aye, Honold- Aye. Motion passes.

f. FOOD TRUCK ORDINANCE

Supervisor Reeder stated that the proposed Food Truck Ordinance has been discussed for some time. There have been corrections made and the Ordinance is now ready for approval.

Clerk Kandell explained that this Ordinance does not address what type of license is being issued, weekly, daily, monthly, as well as how much different types of licenses would cost the food truck vendor.

Motion: Kandell Support: Clifford

Motion to approve the Food Truck Ordinance with the understanding that at April's Board Meeting, the Officials would bring forward the various types of licenses that are to be offered as well as the different fee amounts associated with those licenses.

Roll Call Vote: Kandell- Aye, Clifford- Aye, Reeder- Aye, Gurley- Aye, Honold- Aye. Motion passes.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public at this time.

12. CALL FROM THE BOARD

Trustee Clifford remarked that the logo issue has been revisited several times, he prefers to keep the regular logo, as it applies more to Lenox Township rather than the proposed one.

Supervisor Reeder explained that this item was a simple misunderstanding between himself, and the Clerk and the Township Attorney would review the procedures regarding logos and issue an opinion.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Honold Support: Gurley

Motion to adjourn the Meeting at 6:52 PM. All Ayes. Motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

LuAnne Kandell, Clerk

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Swantek, Recording Secretary