

London Township
Board Minutes (Draft)
May 10, 2021

Call to order by Supervisor Turner at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Supervisor Penny Turner-Present, Clerk Kimberly Sharp-Present, Treasurer Lisa Moore-Present, Trustee Daryl Nichols-Present, Trustee Michael Pinkowski-Present.

Approval of Agenda:

- Approval of Assessors Report to be corrected from Building Dept. Report
- Approval of Minutes, the date should be April 12, 2021, not December 14, 2020.
- Treasurer Moore would like to add “letting the Assessor go” under new business.

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Clerk Sharp to accept the agenda as amended.
All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

First Citizens Time:

- Amanda Taepke questioned why some minutes are not on the website.

Approval of Minutes:

- Trustee Pinkowski stated he would be taking the old flags to the VA and not the VFW this was under the Board Comments.
- Under unfinished business: Approval of Minutes the sentence should read; “Approval of the minutes for the budget workshop(s) March 15, 2021, March 22, 2021 and the Closing of the Books March 24, 2021”.

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Treasurer Moore to accept the April 12, 2021 Minutes as amended.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Supervisors Report:

- Dump Day for the Township is Saturday May 22, 2021 from 8am-noon, at Homrich, 200 Matlin Rd, Carleton, MI 48117. Proof of Residency is required. Due to the Covid Pandemic, it is asked to put your driver’s license on the front dash of your vehicle.
- Letter read from the Monroe County Health Dept. There will be a hazardous waste drop off site May 11, 2021. On August 14, 2021, there will be a hazardous waste drop off and document shredding. The items can be dropped off at the Monroe Charter Township Office.

-The Monroe County Drain Commission has determined that Bear Creek (4 miles) and the Hatter drain (2,500 ft.) both need maintenance. A Resolution is being prepared for the removal and installation of the culvert at the corner of Wells and Cone Rd.

-The new roof installation is almost complete.

-AG Industries stated we have 240 ton of free stone remaining from last year that can be used this year. The West District Supervisor recommends to use some of the stone to fill spots on Wanty, Fuller, Townsend, and/or Darling Roads. Supervisor Turner would like to use 300 ton for the Township parking lot, Plank Rd. Cemetery, and the culvert at Wells and Cone Roads.

-Contract for the dust control has been signed and returned to the Monroe County Road Commission.

-MCRC will start work on Tuttlehill Rd. late April or early May.

-Need to start thinking of which roads to stone in the fall.

-No update on the Grant for the water district.

-The dumpster has been picked up, those caught dumping will be prosecuted.

Motion made by Clerk Sharp, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski to accept the Supervisors Report.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Treasurers Report:

-Senior vote-10 refunds were sent to residents

-Residents with the drains that were not assessed correctly for 2020, will see the assessment added to the taxes sent out December 2021.

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Clerk Sharp to accept the Treasurers Report.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Clerks Report:

-During the March 4, 2021 election 238 ballots were cast which equals to 9.12% of registered voters.

Motion made by Treasurer Moore, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski to accept the Clerks Report.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Building Department Report:

-Building Inspector Terrence Green was introduced.

-The total number of permits issued the month of April were 15. Totaling \$4,144.82

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski to accept the Building Department Report.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Assessors Report:

- Rolled over from 2021 to 2022 following a successful county equalization.
- Preparing for the 2022 tax year.
- The state is beginning to review the township's AMAR corrective action plan in May.
- Working to submit all ECF calculations made and applied to the 2021 roll. Field work of this is ongoing with a target of completion date mid-summer.
- Beginning to prepare the programming for the 2022 database that will bring all historical sales data into CAMA compliance as required by the state this year.

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Clerk Sharp to accept the Assessors Report.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Zoning Administrator Report:

- There will be a Public Hearing at 7:30pm. May 24, 2021 to hear public comments for an Extractive Operation and Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for Ponds and Extractions.
- Still waiting for blight and zoning violation enforcement.
- Need a list of services, with costs, from the Township Engineer as his cost is increasing.
- Zoning violation of ATV track at Ostrander and Tuttlehill Roads.
- 3 campers on one parcel have obtained permits from the county and are contracting a builder.
- Darling Rd. nursery and SLU in compliance.
- All ponds, extractions and reclamations inspected with no violations.

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Clerk Sharp to accept Zoning Administrators Report.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Planning Commission Report:

- There was no meeting in April.
- There will be a Public Hearing at 7:30pm. May 24, 2021 to hear public comments for an Extractive Operation and Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for Ponds and Extractions.

Reading of Monthly Disbursements:

General Fund:

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Nichols to approve the disbursements from the General Fund **Totaling \$106,828.14**

Roll Call: Trustee Nichols YES, Trustee Pinkowski YES, Supervisor Turner YES, Treasurer Moore YES, Clerk Sharp YES.

Motion Carried

Sewer Fund:

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Nichols to approve the disbursements from the Sewer Fund **Totaling \$3,360.00**

Roll Call: Trustee Nichols YES, Trustee Pinkowski YES, Supervisor Turner YES, Treasurer Moore YES, Clerk Sharp YES.

Motion Carried

TOTAL MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS: \$110,188.14

Unfinished Business:

1. DNR Response to Brant Property:

-Questions were answered by the DNR. There is to be no motorized vehicles i.e. ATV, nor any motorized watercraft. There will be postings in the parking areas. There will be DNR presence, but no hours will be set. Open 24 hours per day. No fences being put up. There will be no sign up on how many hunters allowed on property. No gun range at the present time.

2. Carpet Replacement:

-Discussion of replacement of carpet in main office area. Clerk Sharp will use her steam cleaner first.

3. Outside Cameras:

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski to approve up to \$600.00 for outside cameras.

Roll Call: Trustee Nichols YES, Trustee Pinkowski YES, Supervisor Turner YES, Treasurer Moore YES, Clerk Sharp YES.

Motion Carried

New Business:

1. ZA Letter to the Board regarding public hearings:

On May 24, 2021 there will be a Public Hearing at 7:30 pm. In regards to SLU approval and Extraction and Pond Ordinance Amendments.

2. Large Scale Utility Solar Ordinance Amendments:

-Amendments were sent to the Board from the Planning Commission Chair Dan Cable.

-ZA Ron Youngblood sent a letter to the Board in regards to an overlay district. Questions that Supervisor Turner has will be sent in writing to the Planning Commission,

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski to accept the Planning Commission findings for the Large-Scale Utility Solar Ordinance Amendments to the London Township Zoning Ordinance.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski to initiate the Zoning Map Amendment for Solar Overlay District.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski requesting the Planning Commission to make a revision to allow Solar in the Solar Overlay District.

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

3. Resolution to Abolish Building Secretary Position:

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Treasurer Moore to approve Resolution 2021-0510 to Abolish Building Secretary Position

All in favor: **AYE.**

Motion Carried

4. Resolution to Establish Employee Wages:

Planning Commissioners	\$45.00/Meeting
PC Chair/Secretary	\$50.00/Meeting
ZBA Chair/Secretary	\$50.00 /Meeting
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Building Board of Appeals	\$12.50/Hour
Board of Review	\$12.50 /Hour
Election Workers	\$12.00/Hour
Election Chair	\$14.00/Hour
Building Maintenance	\$15.00/Hour
Building Official	\$30.00 /Hour
Deputy Building Official	\$20.00 /Hour
Deputy Supervisor	\$15.00/Hour
Deputy Treasurer	\$17.00/Hour
Deputy Clerk	\$17.00/Hour

Zoning Administrator	\$18.00/Hour
Code Enforcement Officer	\$18.00/Hour
Assessor	\$25,000/Annually
Assistant Assessor	\$20.00 /Hour

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Treasurer Moore to accept Resolution 2021-0510-1 to Establish Employee Wages and eliminating the custodian position.

Roll Call: Trustee Nichols YES, Trustee Pinkowski YES, Supervisor Turner YES, Treasurer Moore YES, Clerk Sharp YES.

Motion Carried

5. Building Official Appointments:

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Trustee Pinkowski to accept the Building Official Appointments; Building Official-Ken Wasilewski, Deputy Building Official-Terrence Green, Mechanical Inspector-John Douglas, Electrical Inspector-Joe Ringbloom, Plumbing Inspector-Willie Higgs.

All in favor: AYE.

Motion Carried

6. Section 1.09 Zoning Ordinance:

-Copies between Township Attorney and the ZA were different. The Attorney’s copy stated infractions were misdemeanors and the ZA’s stated they were Civil Infractions.

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded Trustee Pinkowski acknowledge that Section 1.09 Zoning Ordinance Amendment, that was previously adopted be voided, is does not followed by procedures in section 12.04 of the London Township Zoning Ordinance.

7. Assessor:

-ZA Youngblood stated he received a text message from Assessor Barry Wauldron stating he sent a letter to the Board turning in his resignation.

2nd Citizen’s time:

-Nick Alexander from Apex Solar thanked the Board and PC for their hard work on the Solar Ordinance.

-Clerk Sharp read some questions received from a resident wanting to know:

- a. Why Ed Giraud had a check from the Township for \$1,000.00? The return of a refund for a Performance Bond.

- b. Who was mileage reimbursement was paid to? There were several employees that had mileage reimbursement - Anita, Ron, Renee' and Lisa.
- c. Wanted to know if there is a cap on the Deputy Supervisor hours. The hours are initiated by the Supervisor, he worked 16 hours in April.
- d. What the Deputy Supervisors pay rate was based on new hire wages. Previously discussed during meeting.
- e. Wondered why the insurance company is not paying for the replacement of the carpet. The carpet is already old and the roof leak did cause.

Board of Trustee Comments:

-Supervisor Turner thanked Sheena Slavicek of the Neighborhood Watch and the people who helped for a successful Township Cleanup day. 2 dumpsters of trash were collected from the ditches.

-Thanked Ron Youngblood taking tires to Monroe.

-Thanked Mike Pinkowski and John Turner for cleaning up the hot tub and other bathroom fixtures dumped in the ditches.

-Residents can take up to 10 passenger tires (off rim and clean) to the Monroe County Drain Commission 1005 S. Raisinville Rd. Monroe between 9am-noon on May 25, 2021, June 30, 2021 and July 28, 2021.

-For anyone that would like to attend the Milan Fire Dept. Board meeting, it will be held on May 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm. at the Milan City Hall.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Supervisor Turner, seconded by Clerk Sharp to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

All in favor: AYE.

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted by,
Anita R. Straub
Deputy Clerk