

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2008**

Present: Blumm, Regan, Stougaard, Blough, Bonn, Persha, Thompson  
Absent: None

Supervisor Paula Blumm called the meeting to order in the Township Hall at 7:00 p.m.

**AGENDA APPROVAL** – Blough moved, Stougaard seconded, to approve the agenda.  
Motion carried.

**MINUTES** – The resolution for the entertainment license is numbered incorrectly in the July 21 minutes. It should read resolution 2008-13, not 2008-14. Thompson moved, Stougaard seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 21, 2008 with the correction. Motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT** – Stougaard submitted a written report. Bonn moved, Thompson seconded, to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion carried.

**BILLS** – Stougaard moved, Bonn seconded, to pay the special bills:

City of Lowell	Wtr,Swr,	\$23,687.24
BS&A Software	Support	\$685.00
Infrastructure Altern	Water/Sewer	\$4,406.25
Luscious Landscapes	Lawn Maint	\$2,410.00
MainStreet Planning	Planning Svcs	\$4,116.38
MC&E/Election Source	Elec Testing	\$630.00
Xerox Corp	Copier Maint	\$816.00
Bank of New York	Wire Trans Bond	\$3,903.75

Motion carried.

Thompson moved, Bonn seconded, the current bills be approved; General Fund - \$23,552.84, Sewer Fund - \$7,800.99, Water Fund - \$21,134.25; Check Nos. 17301-17355; Payroll Nos. 8456-8480. Motion carried.

**REPORTS** – The Ordinance Enforcement Officer submitted a written report. There were meeting minutes from the Wege meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Blumm reminded the Board that the party in the park will be Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> from noon to 3:00 p.m.

**CORRESPONDENCE** – There is a letter from MSU about an educational presentation on gypsy moth control and a letter from the Kent County Board of Commissioners listing various boards, commissions and committees with positions that they would like to fill with interested citizens.

**ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE REQUEST – RESOLUTION 2008-13** – Bonn moved, Blough seconded, Resolution 2008-13 be removed from the table. Christopher Clark was present to answer questions about his request for an entertainment license for property located at 11550 E. Fulton. He is currently operating with a monthly permit. He would like to be able to run raffles and contests which would be allowed under this license. Bonn moved, Thompson seconded, to approve resolution 2008-13 for an entertainment license for 11550 E. Fulton. Motion carried.

**WHISPERING HILLS PHASES 5 AND 6** – Mike Berg, representing Dykema Excavators, was present to ask for final preliminary approval for phases 5 and 6 of the Whispering

Hills Plat. The Plat has received preliminary approval from the Township planner and engineer as well as Kent County officials. Thompson moved, Blough seconded, to give final preliminary approval for Whispering Hills phases 5 and 6. Motion carried.

**KENNEL LICENSE – ORCHARD HILLS KENNELS** – Stacy Barnes was present to ask for Township approval of her kennel license request for property located at 13289 36<sup>th</sup> Street. She would like approval to have up to 18 dogs at this address. She has a letter of support from her neighbors for this kennel. Thompson moved, Regan seconded, to approve the request from Stacie Barnes for a kennel license for Orchard Hills Kennels at 13289 36<sup>th</sup> Street for up to 18 dogs. Motion carried.

**2008 MILLAGE RATE** – The millage rate for 2008 will roll back to 0.7514 for the December 1, 2008 tax roll. Stougaard moved, Bonn seconded, to approve the millage rate of 0.7514. Motion carried.

**ASSESSOR CONTRACT** – Supervisor Blumm interviewed three applicants for the assessing position. She recommends contracting with Marla Platt for the position. Marla is a level three assessor who would work two half days a week. She will be paid \$10.00 per parcel and \$50.00 per split. The Township currently has 2,403 parcels. The contract is for one year. Thompson moved, Bonn seconded, to support the Supervisor’s recommendation and contract with Marla Platt for the position of assessor. Motion carried.

**PARKING LOT REPAIR** – There were two responses to the request for bids to repair the parking lot at the Township hall. Stormzand bid \$7,417 and Superior bid \$7,955 to repair cracks, seal, and re-stripe. Blumm recommended approving Stormzand’s bid because it is lower and they are local. Regan moved, Blough seconded, to accept Blumm’s recommendation and approve the bid from Stormzand to repair, seal and re-stripe the parking lot for \$7,417. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – There were no citizen comments.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Stougaard moved, Thompson seconded, the meeting adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Linda S. Regan, Clerk  
Charter Township of Lowell

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Paula Blumm, Supervisor