

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2003**

Present: Timpson, Blough, J. Huver, R. Huver, Blumm, Regan
Absent: Fletcher

The meeting was called to order in the Township Hall by the Supervisor, John Timpson, at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL – Blumm moved, J. Huver seconded, the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

MINUTES – R. Huver moved, J. Huver seconded, the minutes of the regular meeting of May 19, 2003 be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Blumm moved, Blough seconded, the Treasurer’s report be accepted as given. Motion carried.

BILLS – Blough moved, Regan seconded, CARRIED, the special bills be paid as follows:

City of Lowell	Water & Sewer	\$14,358.56
Mi Municipal League	Workers Comp	\$1,425.00
Vickie VanderLugt	Assessing	\$1,892.00
Aquatic Consulting	Gypsy Moth	\$6,650.00
City of Lowell	Fire & Rescue	\$3,234.00
Etna Supply	Meters & Supplies	\$2,303.00
Mid Mich Helicopter	Gypsy Moth	\$4,199.00
Laura Stob	Assessing	\$2,574.00
Lee Trenching	Water	\$795.00
Luscious Landscapes	Mowing	\$2,950.00
Rhoades, McKee	Attorney	\$3,834.90
Plante & Moran	Auditor	\$2,150.00
SOS Office Supply	Supplies	\$700.31
Xerox Corp	Maint Agreement	\$636.00

Blumm moved, Blough seconded, the current bills be paid; General Fund - \$42,640.63; Sewer Fund - \$5,716.26 and Water Fund \$13,582.59; Check Nos. 14421-14462 and Payroll Nos. 6800-6824. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM – Kent County passed a purchase of development rights ordinance to allow Kent County landowners to participate in a voluntary farmland preservation program. The Township must pass a resolution agreeing to participate in the program. Blumm moved, Blough seconded, the Township adopt Resolution No. 03-02 authorizing participation in the Kent County Farmland Preservation Program; ayes – Blough, J. Huver, Timpson, R. Huver, Blumm, Regan; nays – none; absent – Fletcher. Motion carried.

MOBILE HOME COMMISSION APPOINTMENT – A sample letter to Governor Granholm was presented concerning the reappointment of Mr. Sanford Green. He is a principal in Landon Holdings Corporation and serving on the Mobile Home Commission. The letter urges Governor Granholm to not reappoint him. Blumm moved, Timpson seconded, the Township send the letter to Governor Granholm asking that Mr. Green not be reappointed. Motion carried.

FEE SCHEDULE – Recommendations for revisions to the current fee schedule were presented. The increases would help cover the costs to the Township. Blumm moved, Regan seconded, the changes to the fee schedule be accepted. Motion carried.

R. Huver recommended that the fees for cemetery lots be raised. Blumm suggested that he bring back recommendations to the Board at the next meeting.

PARK – A letter was received from the Lowell Area Community Fund concerning the grant proposal for the Township Park. The proposal was not funded. There are grants currently open with the Fund. The Township can reapply when these funds are finalized. A final payment request was received from Shaler Excavating. The Board will hold a special meeting at a later date to approve final payment.

WEST NILE VIRUS – The County will not participate in a program with the Townships to help fund larvicide treatment for mosquitos. At this time the Township will provide information for the purchase of larvicide.

REPORTS – Jerry Denning, OEO, Sandy Graham, Alto Library, and Deb Rashid, Assessor, submitted written reports. Supervisor Timpson reported on the water problem on Alden Nash. Blough reported for the Planning Commission.

OTHER – There is a meeting on Friday, June 20th at the school's administration office to talk about cable programing. Blough offered to attend for the Township.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – Marvin Rosenberger was present and thanked the Board and Planning Commission for their help in resolving his problems with Whispering Hills.

ADJOURNMENT – R. Huver moved, Blough seconded, CARRIED, the meeting adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Charter Township of Lowell

John R. Timpson, Supervisor

