

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2005**

Present: Timpson, Regan, Stougaard, Blough, Bonn, Den Houter, Huver
Absent: None

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

AGENDA APPROVAL – Blough moved, Stougaard seconded, the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

MINUTES – Bonn moved, Stougaard seconded, the minutes of the regular meeting of February 22, 2005 be approved. Motion carried. Stougaard moved, Huver seconded, the minutes of the special meeting of February 28, 2005 be approved. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Huver moved, Blough seconded, the reports be accepted. Motion carried. The Treasurer had a contract with the school dated 1992 showing that the Township could charge \$1.90/parcel to collect summer taxes. Only \$1.50 was charged. She will try to recoup the difference for last year and will look at making a new agreement with the school for next year

BILLS – Huver moved, Stougaard seconded, the special bills be paid:

City of Lowell	Wtr,Swr	\$14,614.20
City of Lowell	Fire, Rescue	\$20,418.71
Bowne Township	Fire	\$22,503.42
Dell Marketing	Computer	\$887.46
Main Street Planning	Planning	\$2,975.10
Printing Systems	Voter ID Post	\$659.06
FHC	Furnace Repair	\$1,430.93
Kent Cty Treas	Fire Assess	\$3,801.15
Lowell Twp Gen Fund	Wtr Loan Repay	\$25,000.00
Lowell Twp Wtr Fund	Hydrant Fees	\$10,000.00
AGI	Computer	\$1,166.56
Infrastructure Alt	Wtr	\$1,960.00
Mika, Meyers, Beckett	Attorney	\$15,893.71
V Tec Engineering	Eng Svcs	\$1,635.00

Motion carried.

Blough moved, Regan seconded, the current bills be approved; General Fund - \$80,749.06, Sewer Fund - \$12,186.18, Water Fund - \$42,103.79; Check Nos. 15423-15465; Payroll Nos. 7343-7368. Motion carried.

ELECTION COMMISSION – New election commission members need to be appointed. Regan moved, Stougaard seconded, Leonard Den Houter and John Timpson be appointed to the election commission. Motion carried. The election commission will

meet March 24th at 9:30 a.m. to approve election workers and consolidation of the polling locations for the May 3, 2005 school election.

PARK – Ray Zandstra, Vtec Engineering, was present to talk about the lack of progress with the DEQ in granting a work permit for the dock ramp and removing the extra fill from the pond area. He will continue to follow up with them. He also talked about the dock sections. There is \$2,000 left from the Grand Rapids Foundation grant to be used toward purchasing dock sections. No decision was made.

HOME OCCUPATION ORDINANCE – DISCUSSION - The Supervisor received a letter from Daryl and Cheryl Wisdom who were denied a variance to allow them to hire an employee for their business at 10015 Cascade Road. They asked that the current ordinance be reviewed. Dave Simmonds and Timothy Clements, ZBA members, were present and talked about the case with the Board. The Board discussed reviewing the ordinance, but no decision was made. This will be discussed again at the next meeting.

REPORTS – Blough reported for the Planning Commission. Huver reported on an Ada Park meeting he attended.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS – There were no citizen's comments.

ADJOURNMENT – Huver moved, Stougaard seconded, the meeting adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Charter Township of Lowell

John R. Timpson, Supervisor