

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2006**

Present: Timpson, Regan, Stougaard, Blough, Blumm, Bonn, Huver
Absent: None

The Supervisor called the meeting to order in the Township Hall at 7:02 p.m.

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

The Supervisor turned the meeting over to Trustee Blumm to chair.

CLOSED SESSION – PENDING LITIGATION - Stougaard moved, Regan seconded, the meeting go into closed session to discuss pending litigation; ayes – Regan, Blough, Bonn, Stougaard, Timpson, Huver, Blumm; nays – none; Motion carried. The meeting went to closed session at 7:05 p.m.

Blumm moved, Stougaard seconded, the regular meeting resume at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried.

MINUTES – Stougaard moved, Bonn seconded, the minutes of the regular meeting of October 16, 2006 be approved. Motion carried.
Blough moved, Huver seconded, the minutes of the special meeting of October 30, 2006. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT – The Treasurer presented a list of vendors to be considered for approval. She also advised the Board that the fees for Miedema Auctioneering are \$10.00 more than the original contract stated. The new rates are \$75.00 per hour for medium/light duty truck and \$95.00 per hour for heavy trucking. Regan moved, Blough seconded, the list of authorized vendors be approved. Motion carried. Blough moved, Bonn seconded, the Treasurer’s report be accepted. Motion carried.

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

City of Lowell	Wtr, Swr, F, Res	\$16,768.32
Infrastructure Altern	Water/Sewer	\$3,038.66
Lowes	Gazebo	\$8,147.00
Mika, Meyers, Beckett	Attorney	\$1,043.00
Kent County Rd Com	Roads	\$5,440.91
O,Mara Plumbing	Park	\$540.00
O.E. Bieri	Clear Easement	\$1,000.00
Rickert Electric	Electric	\$1,850.90
State Of Michigan	Wtr Permit	\$1,224.53
V Tec Engineering	Engineering	\$1,017.20

Motion carried.

Bonn moved, Stougaard seconded, the current bills be approved; General Fund - \$36,189.37, Sewer Fund - \$8,280.02, Water Fund - \$11,875.04; Check Nos. 16362-16423; Payroll Nos. 7916-7941. Motion carried.

CITY OF LOWELL – REQUEST FOR FUNDING – The Township has received a request from the City Manager for \$16,000 to help add an addition to the Look Memorial Fire Station to house Rockford Ambulance. Rockford Ambulance would like to begin

construction in the Spring of 2007. Blumm moved, Huver seconded, to allocate \$16,000 to the City of Lowell capital improvement fund to use for an addition to the Look Memorial Fire Station to accommodate the space needs of the Rockford Ambulance Service. If the money is not used within three years it is to be returned to Lowell Township. The total pledge of \$16,000 is conditioned upon the same contribution from the City of Lowell and Vergennes Township. Motion carried.

SNOW PLOWING PROPOSAL – Terry B. Smith submitted a proposal for snow plowing at the Township Hall for the 2006/2007 season for \$650.00. Regan moved, Bonn seconded, to approve the Terry B. Smith proposal for snow plowing for the 2006/2007 season. Motion carried.

HOPE NETWORK CONTRACT – Hope Network sent a contract to be renewed for July 1, 2006 thru June 30, 2007. Bonn moved, Stougaard seconded, to accept the Hope Network contract and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign it. Motion carried.

LARA REPRESENTATIVE – Stougaard’s term on the Lowell Area Recreational Authority as board representative expires in December. Stougaard moved, Regan seconded, Blumm be appointed to serve as the board representative on the LARA committee beginning in January for a 2 year term. Motion carried.

REPORTS – Blumm reported for the Park Committee, Planning Commission and on a meeting she attended about Community Development Funding.

CITIZENS’ COMMENTS – A citizen commented.

AJOURNMENT – Regan moved, Stougaard seconded, the meeting adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Charter Township of Lowell

Paula Blumm, Trustee
Acting Chairperson