

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2004**

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

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

AGENDA APPROVAL – Regan moved, Blough seconded, the agenda be approved with an addition under other for delinquent sewer from Bowne Township. Motion carried.

MINUTES – Fletcher moved, Blumm seconded, the minutes of the regular meeting of September 20, 2004 be approved. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT – The Treasurer submitted a written report. Fletcher moved, Regan seconded, the report be accepted. Motion carried.

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

City of Lowell	Wtr,Swr	\$41,116.06
Etna Supply	Wtr Meters	\$2,510.00
Kent County Treas	PTAS	\$1,804.29
Main Street Planning	Planning	\$568.04
Nat’l City Bank	Bond- Int	\$8,278.51
V-Tec Engineering	Twp Park	\$615.00

Motion carried.

Blumm moved, Fletcher seconded, the current bills be approved; General Fund - \$12,665.27, Sewer Fund - \$24,104.58, Water Fund - \$30,387.01; Check Nos. 15189-15222; Payroll Nos. 7220-7242. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT - BUDGET AMENDMENT – The Clerk presented the budget for the 2nd quarter. Amendments were made to revenue for gypsy moth and Englehardt grant for \$29,041, and amendments were made to expenditures for general government, public safety, public works and recreation for \$29,041. The financial report showing receipts, expenditures and transfers was also submitted. Timpson moved, Fletcher seconded, the budget amendments and financial report be accepted. Motion carried.

SITE CONDOMINIUM ORDINANCE NO. 06-2004 – The Planning Commission at their October 11, 2004 meeting recommended that the Township Board adopt Ordinance No. 06-2004 and Ordinance No. 07-2004. Blumm moved, Fletcher seconded, Site Condominium Ordinance No. 06-2004 be adopted; ayes – Blumm, Regan, Blough, Fletcher, Timpson, R. Huver; nays – none; absent – J. Huver. Motion carried.

SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE NO. 07-2004 – Blumm moved, Blough seconded, Subdivision Ordinance No. 07-2004 be adopted; ayes – Regan, Blough, Fletcher, Timpson, R. Huver, Blumm; nays – none; absent – J. Huver. Motion carried.

LARA AGREEMENT – Trustee Blumm updated the Board about the Lowell Area Recreation Authority agreement. The agreement will have a few minor changes including those recommended by the Township Board. The final agreement should be available for approval at the next Board meeting.

PARK – The Supervisor is looking into floating docks in place of the overlook at the Township park. More information is needed about cost and permits. The soil sample results are back. The east fields need lime. This could wait until spring. Timpson moved, Fletcher seconded, we implement a fertilization plan in the spring and follow the soil sample guidelines. Motion carried.

FIRE TRUCK - Frank Martin submitted numbers for the new fire truck. The City is applying for a bank loan for \$48,507 of which the Township will pay one third. They are currently trying to find the lowest interest rate. There was discussion about paying our portion from fund balance instead of financing the amount. We will wait to see what the interest rate is before deciding.

SNOW PLOWING - Terry B. Smith Snowplowing submitted a proposal to plow the Township Hall parking lot for the 2004/2005 season for a cost of \$600.00. R. Huver moved, Blumm seconded, we hire Terry B. Smith Snowplowing for the 2004/2005 season. Motion carried.

REPORTS - Sandy Graham, Alto Librarian, was present and submitted a written report.

OTHER – Timpson moved, Fletcher seconded, the Bowne Township delinquent sewer charge for Lowell Township parcel no. 41-20-33-351-002 for \$468.52 be placed on the 2004 tax roll. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS – Sandy Graham will meet with the Englehardt committee on Tuesday, October 19 and inquire about substituting the floating dock for the overlook for grant reimbursement. Charles Miller inquired about putting up signs for engine braking.

ADJOURNMENT – R. Huver moved, Regan seconded, the meeting adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Charter Township of Lowell

John R. Timpson, Supervisor