

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2005**

Present: Timpson, Regan, Stougaard, Blough, Bonn, Den Houter
Absent: Huver

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

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

MINUTES – Stougaard moved, Bonn seconded, the minutes of September 19, 2005 be approved. Motion carried. There was a question about the bid motion for the park in the October 3, 2005 meeting. Regan moved, Blough seconded, the minutes of the special meeting of October 3, 2005 be tabled until the next regular meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT – The Treasurer would like to transfer \$450,000 from the LUG and water bank accounts to purchase certificates of deposit. She will also be using Edward Jones in Lowell for new investments. Bonn moved, Regan seconded, the Treasurer’s report be accepted. Motion carried.

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

City of Lowell	Water & Sewer	\$21,883.89
City of Lowell	Fire & Rescue	\$1,380.00
Corrpro Waterworks	Wtr Tower Insp	\$515.00
Dirt Cheap Excavating	Cem Maint	\$640.00
FHC	Furnace Repair	\$1,613.78
Independent Bank	Cert of Deposit	\$50,000
Mark A. Brodien	Repairs	\$1,745.13
Main Street Planning	Planning	\$7,082.26
SOS Office Supply	Supplies	\$579.42
Vtec Engineering	Engineering	\$2,445.00

Motion carried.

Regan moved, Stougaard seconded, the current bills be approved; General Fund - \$26,384.74, Sewer Fund - \$6,740.17, Water Fund - \$73,854.62; Check Nos. 15725-15768; Payroll Nos. 7543-7582. Motion carried.

LIBRARY REPORT – Library representatives were present to give an annual report for the Lowell Library.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET UPDATE – The Clerk presented the financial report and budget for the second quarter. The budget amendments are for increases in revenue and expenditures of \$30,157 which includes carrying over \$16,000 for year ending 2004/2005 to be used for recreation. Stougaard moved, Bonn seconded, the financial report and budget be accepted. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2005-05 WELLHEAD PROTECTION – Bonn moved, Blough seconded, resolution 2005-05 be adopted; ayes - Den Houter, Regan, Blough, Bonn, Stougaard, Timpson, nays – none, absent - Huver. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2005 - REZONING – At their September 12, 2005 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended that the Township Board approve Ordinance No. 03-2005 which rezones parcels 41-20-28-100-005, 41-20-28-100-008, 41-20-28-200-004 and 41-20-28-200-019 from Light Industrial to Industrial PUD, and parcel 41-20-28-100-012 from AG2 to Industrial PUD and specifies the terms and conditions of the final development plan. Regan moved, Blough seconded, Ordinance No. 03-2005 to rezone the four Light Industrial parcels and one Ag2 parcel to Industrial Planned Unit Development along with the final development plan be adopted; ayes – Regan, Blough, Bonn, Stougaard, Timpson, Den Houter; nays – none; absent – Huver. Motion carried.

PARK – Paula Blumm, Park Committee Chairman, updated the Board on the Park Committee meeting. She also talked to a representative from North Country Trails about work being done to obtain the right of way for the railroad property. North Country Trails will continue to work on obtaining easements. They will send an invoice for \$3,500 for the work that has been done to date. This amount was approved at an earlier meeting. The issue with the chain link enclosure at the Park has not been resolved. Den Houter moved, Stougaard seconded, the Crew Team be directed to remove the fence within 30 days from the date of this meeting. Motion carried.

PA 116 REQUEST – KLAHN PROPERTY – Applications from the Frederick and Darlene Klahn family to enter two parcels of property into the Farmland Preservation Program (PA116) were received. Regan moved, Stougaard seconded, the applications be approved. Motion carried.

REPORTS – Joe Dollar, Ordinance Enforcement Officer, and Sandy Graham, Alto Librarian, submitted written reports. Carlton Blough reported for the Planning Commission.

OTHER - Terry B. Smith Snowplowing submitted a proposal to plow the Township Hall again this winter for a total of \$650.00. Blough moved, Stougaard seconded, the proposal be accepted for \$650.00. Motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS – No comments.

AJOURNMENT – Regan moved, Stougaard seconded, the meeting adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Charter Township of Lowell

John R. Timpson, Supervisor