

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 17, 2006**

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

The meeting was called to order in the Township Hall by the Supervisor, John Timpson, at 7:00 p.m. After the pledge of allegiance there was a moment of silence for Trustee Leonard Den Houter who passed away Monday, June 26, 2006.

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

MINUTES – Stougaard moved, Bonn seconded, the minutes of the regular meeting of June 19, 2006 be approved. Motion carried.

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

City of Lowell	Wtr, Sewer	\$18,029.44
Hungerford, Aldin	Auditor	\$7,000.00
Infrastructure Altern	Water/Sewer	\$8,733.50
Lowell Area Recreation	Annual Dues	\$1,000.00
Luscious Landscapes	Lawn Maint	\$2,740.00
MainStreet Planning Svs	Planning	\$4,050.00
Mark Brodien	Install Defib	\$508.00
Twin Lakes Nursery	Park Plan	\$1,980.00
Vtec Engineering	Engineering	\$2,333.90

Motion carried.

Stougaard moved, Bonn seconded, the current bills be approved; General Fund - \$30,319.08, Sewer Fund - \$12,201.59, Water Fund - \$16,066.63; Check Nos. 16183-16232; Payroll Nos. 7819-7843. Motion carried.

LIBRARY REPORT – The Kent District Library report for 2005 was given.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-06 MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN – Resolution No. 2006-06, Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, was presented for approval. Timpson moved, Bonn seconded, the resolution be adopted; ayes – Timpson, Huver, Regan, Blough, Bonn, Stougaard; nays – none. Motion carried.

REZONING 41-20-17-100-032 AND 41-20-18-200-017 - Laverne Smith and Randy Smith applied for rezoning of 21.7 acres of property on Kissing Rock Avenue, Permanent Parcel Nos. 41-20-17-100-032 and 41-20-18-200-017, from AG-2 to R-1. The Planning Commission at their June 12, 2006 meeting recommended to the Township Board that the rezoning request be denied. Timpson moved, Stougaard seconded, that the Board concur with the Planning Commission to deny the rezoning; ayes – Regan, Blough, Bonn, Stougaard, Timpson; nays – Huver. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 06-2006 OFF-STREET PARKING – Dave Simmonds, Planning Commission Chairman, answered questions about the ordinance for off-street parking. The Planning Commission at their May 8, 2006 meeting recommended to the Township Board that the ordinance be adopted. Regan moved, Bonn seconded, to approve the Planning Commission recommendation to adopt Ordinance No. 06-2006 for off-street

parking; ayes – Regan, Bonn, Stougaard, Timpson, Huver; nays – Blough. Motion carried.

FIRE AGREEMENT – BOWNE TOWNSHIP – Letters from Bowne and Lowell Townships’ attorneys were discussed. Bowne Township’s attorney would like the agreement adopted by the end of July. Bonn talked about points in the letter from Bowne Township’s attorney that still needed to be discussed. He would like to make the quarterly payment to Bowne, but would like more time to work out the agreement. Regan moved, Stougaard seconded, to pay a good faith payment of \$10,000 for a quarterly payment, to be adjusted after an agreement is in place, and bring the agreement back to the workshop meeting for discussion and to be ready to adopt it in August. Motion carried. Huver would like to serve on the safety committee with Bonn and Blough.

BOARD APPOINTMENT – TRUSTEE- PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE – Trustee Leonard Den Houter passed away June 26, 2006. The position must be filled within 45 days. Bonn moved, Stougaard seconded, to appoint a Trustee for the vacant position, Paula Blumm, and table the Planning Commission Representative position until a later date if there is no time constraint. Motion carried.

REPORTS – Trustee Blough reported for the Purchase of Development Rights Committee. Paula Blumm, Park Committee Chairman, reported for the Park. She asked for permission to put vending machines at the Park. Blough moved, Stougaard seconded, vending machines be allowed at the Park. Motion carried.

CITIZENS’ COMMENTS – No citizens commented.

AJOURNMENT – Huver moved, Bonn seconded, the meeting adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Regan, Clerk
Charter Township of Lowell

John R. Timpson, Supervisor