

LINCOLN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN
February 9, 2021

THE REGULAR MEETING of the Lincoln Charter Township Board of Trustees was called to order on February 8, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. by Dick Stauffer, Supervisor, via Anytime Meeting virtual host. Notice with information was posted.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Marc Florian, Kevin Gillette. Stacy Loar-Porter, Deb Peterson, Terrie Smith, Richard Stauffer, and Rick Stone.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

ALSO, PRESENT: Dave Austin, Township engineer, Alfonso Chavez- LYBSA President, Jefferson Clark- LYSL President, Gil Urban- SWM President.

The PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was given.

PRESENTATIONS. None.

ADJUST AGENDA. Move budget request items to the beginning of the meeting.

BUDGET PRESENTATION

Each department presented their budget request items. **Attachment A.**

CORRESPONDENCE. Letter form Ridge Rd resident requesting a sidewalk layout for one side of the road.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED. Stauffer moved, seconded by Stone to approve the consent agenda.

1. Approval of minutes for the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2021.
2. Approve the 2/10/2021 and 1/28/2021 bills from the following funds.

General Fund	\$ 78,610.04
Parks Fund	2,015.15
Parks Capital Improvement	0.00
Cemetery Fund	918.71
Building Fund	9,709.65
Township Improvement Fund	0.00
Police Fund	32,078.59
Police Drug	0.00
Police Capital Improvement	0.00
Sewer Enterprise	
Sewer Operating	86,251.00
Sewer Replacement	0.00
Sewer Improvement	0.00
Water Enterprise	
Water Operating	111.35
Water Improvement	0.00
Road Fund	0.00

Fire Capital Improvement	0.00
TOTAL	\$209,694.49

LIBRARY REPORT. The Library Director gave update on recent events at the library. Circulation for January was 14,985 and digital circulation was 23,290.

NEW BUSINESS. None.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT.

Drain Commission.

North Lake Park Channel. Application has not been approved yet, EGLE is asking for the sand that was brought in to be placed back in the lake.

Appointments/reappointments.

Auditor Reappointment. Motion Approved. Peterson moved, seconded by Gillette to reappoint Plante Moran as the Township Auditor for three years term ending 3/31/2024

CLERK’S REPORT.

January balances.

General	\$1,339,336.12	Road	\$131,836.90
Police	\$38,380.24	Parks	\$18,510.38
Cemetery	\$29,021.89	Street Lighting	\$43,610.90
Building	\$487,311.11	Police Drug	\$902.39
Township Improvement	\$172,057.43	Fire Dept. Improvement	\$252,822.68
Police Improvement	\$1,755.23	Park Improvement	\$127,023.33
Sewer Operating	\$1,761,983.26	Sewer Replacement	\$1,176,546.52
Sewer Improvement	\$657,128.74	Water Operating	\$114,259.55
Water Replacement	\$1,646,523.64	Water Improvement	\$5,943,400.81
Trust & Agency	\$52,154.93	Tax Collection	\$3,054,590.61
T&A Delinquent Tax	\$8,565.19	Flex Spending	\$3,655.47
Police Bond T & A	\$509.23		

Summer Tax Collection. Motion Carried. Loar-Porter moved, seconded by Stone, to approve the resolution to collect summer tax for Lakeshore, St. Joseph and Bridgman Public Schools, Lake Michigan College, and Berrien RESA. *Resolution 21-02. Attachment B.* Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Florian, Gillette, Loar-Porter, Peterson, Smith, Stauffer and Stone. Nays: None.

TREASURER’S REPORT. Smith reported interest earned year to date is \$60,998.81. Taxes are due by 2/16/21 with no penalty and after 2/26/21 taxes will have to paid at the County.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT. Florian reported the commission held a public hearing for a special use permit. The applicant was Williams Building, to operate a mini/self-storage facility located at 4490,4492,4508 and 4542 Red Arrow Hwy. The special use was granted with 10 conditions. The developer will have to return to the commission with the final site plan that reflects all 10 conditions have been addressed.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT. No meeting was held.

ASSESSOR’S REPORT. Distributed to board.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT. 1 single-family residential permit was issued in December. There have been 43 single family residential permits issued year-to-date.

AIRPORT AUTHORITY REPORT. Distributed to board.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT. Distributed to the board by e-mail.

FIRE REPORT. Chief Chiarello provided the board with a report on fire calls and activity by the department for the month.

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PARKS REPORT. Stauffer reported that Triple D has completed the work that they were using LCT beach as a staging area for. They will begin restoration of the road/drive and staging area in the spring

WATER/SEWER AUTHORITY. Smith emailed minutes to the board.

Public Comments for items not on agenda. None.

Board Member Comments. None.

ADJOURN. There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:39 pm.

Stacy Loar-Porter, Clerk

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