

LINCOLN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN
May 10, 2022

THE REGULAR MEETING of the Lincoln Charter Township Board of Trustees was called to order on May 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. by Dick Stauffer, Supervisor at the Municipal Building, 2055 W. John Beers Rd, Stevensville, MI 49127.

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Deb Peterson.

ALSO PRESENT: Brandon Mieras, Township Engineer.

The PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was given.

PRESENTATIONS. None.

ADJUST AGENDA. None.

CORRESPONDENCE. None.

PUBLIC HEARING. None.

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

1. Approval of minutes for the Regular of April 12, 2022.
2. Approve the 5/11/2022 and 4/29/2022 bills from the following funds.

General Fund	\$	66,493.53
Fire Fund		47,353.07
Parks Fund		22,789.54
Parks Capital Improvement		2,423.33
Cemetery Fund		10,377.62
Building Fund		7,238.26
Township Improvement Fund		0.00
Police Fund		41,587.31
Police Drug		0.00
Police Capital Improvement		0.00
Sewer Enterprise		
Sewer Operating		74,674.72
Sewer Replacement		0.00
Sewer Improvement		0.00
Water Enterprise		
Water Operating		14.73
Water Improvement		0.00
Road Fund		0.00
Fire Capital Improvement		0.00

Brownfield Fund	618.00
ARPA Fund	173,300.00
TOTAL	\$446,870.11

LIBRARY REPORT. The Library Board member Elizabeth Carlson, reported upcoming events at the library. Reported that the board completed their budget. There are funds to install a new HVAC system and a new roof. They added a second self-checkout machine.

NEW BUSINESS. None.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

MDOT

Resolution to Sign MDOT Contract. Motion Carried. Stauffer moved, seconded by Gillette, to approve the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to sign the MDOT contract for Exit 23 traffic signal mast arm upgrades replacing standard wire hung signals and installation of illuminated street name signs. *Resolution 22-05. Attachment A.* Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Florian, Gillette, Loar-Porter, Smith, Stauffer and Stone. Nays: None.

Appointments/Reappointment

Southwest Michigan Regional Sanitary Sewer and Water Authority. Motion Carried. Stauffer moved, seconded by Stone, to reappoint Dave Boelcke to a 4-year term on the SWMIRSS&WA, term to expire June 30, 2026

CLERK'S REPORT.

April Balances.

General	\$2,940,781.04	Road	\$414,930.03
Fire	\$360,017.64	Police	\$1,674,421.00
Parks	\$107,650.26	Cemetery	\$118,079.25
Street Lighting	\$37,226.29	Building	\$659,660.00
Police Drug Fund	\$905.12	Brownfield	\$279,498.03
Township Improvement	\$287,656.01	Fire Improvement	\$86,736.61
Police Improvement	\$4,395.32	Park Improvement	\$149,993.36
Sewer Operating	\$2,501,574.64	Sewer Replacement	\$1,279,856.49
Sewer Improvement	\$727,974.73	Water Operating	\$27,666.47
Water Replacement	\$1,637,148.17	Water Improvement	\$5,773,971.22
Trust & Agency	\$11,907.71	T&A Delinquent Tax	\$1,102.63
Tax Fund	\$16,475.38	Police Bond T & A	\$509.52
Flex Spending	\$3,512.91	ARPA Fund	\$279,669.87

TREASURER'S REPORT. Smith reported interest earned year to date is \$1,680.57

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT. Florian reported the commission met, but had no action items.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT. Met to elect officers for the board.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT. Distributed to board.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT. 12 single-family residential permits were issued in March.

There have been 17 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. Distributed to board.

Chief Chiarello presented an inventory of the Fire Departments fleet.

Fleet Overview

2019 Pierce Enforcer

- 750 gal of water
- Fire suppression and rescue capabilities
- 4 Firefighters

1995 Pierce Dash

- 1250 gal of water
- Fire suppression capabilities
- 6 Firefighters

2016 Ford F250

- Off road capability
- 160 gal of water
- Grass, trash, and vehicle fire suppression capability
- 4 Firefighters

2018 Ford Explorer

- Command vehicle

2022 Pierce Enforcer (Currently being built- 11 month build time)

- 750 gal of water
- Fire suppression and rescue capabilities
- 4 Firefighters

Chiarello received an offer of \$85,000 for the KME Mini-Pumper. He stated it was originally purchased to aid in coverage for the Grand Mere area. However, since the purchase of the F250 with the 160-gallon sled added to it, it is more effective and convenient for that area. They have also checked the accessibility on all the trucks in the fleet and all are now able to access the area. The Road Department has done a much better job of keeping the roads open and cleared of trees in the last several years. The truck has only been used on 2 calls this year. He stated the department can draft with all the current trucks. Only 9% of the calls over the last three years required a response of three or more pieces of apparatus.

The board questioned if there was concern for selling the KME before taking possession of the new enforcer truck. Chiarello stated that he did not have any concerns.

Approval of Truck Sale. Motion Carried. Stone moved, seconded by Gillette, to approve the sale of the KME Mini Pumper to Watervliet Fire Department in the amount of \$85,000. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Florian, Gillette, Loar-Porter, Smith, Stauffer and Stone. Nays: None.

PARKS REPORT. Township engineer reported after running tests on the splash pad, the current 2-inch water line suggested and approved by Vortex for the splash pad is inadequate. It does not provide the pressure or volume needed to properly run the equipment on the splash pad. The Township will be installing a 4-inch line to correct this problem. The final payment to Vortex on the splash pad is being held by the Township until all the equipment is in proper working order.

The plan for parking at the Community Center and the moving of the volleyball nets should be completed soon.

WATER/SEWER AUTHORITY. 2022-23 budget was approved.

Public Comments for items not on agenda. None.

Board Member Comments. Florian requested a follow up meeting from the AEP meeting held a few weeks ago,

ADJOURN. There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 7:41 pm.

Stacy Loar-Porter, Clerk

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