

**ARCADIA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 12, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Arcadia Township Board was held Tuesday March 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Arcadia Township Hall, 4900 Spencer Street, Lum, Michigan.

Supervisor Lashbrook called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with the following members present: Supervisor Lashbrook, Treasurer Skovran, and Clerk Smith. and Trustee Howe.

AGENDA: Moved by Howe, seconded by Skovran to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13, 2024: Moved by Skovran, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF MARCH 3, 2024: Moved by Smith seconded by Skovran to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2024 Joint Fire Department meeting as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC TIME: No one wished to speak at this time.

POLICE REPORT: Officer Poniatowski reported 38 calls and made 4 traffic stops for the month of February.

BUILDING PERMITS: There were 2 final and 2 new building permits for the month of February.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Knaggs reported no fire runs since the last regular meeting.

CEMETERY: Cemetery Sexton Steve Nirhantz reported no burials for the month of February.

COUNTY COMMISSION REPORT: Commissioner Truman Mast was not available to give a report.

NEW BUSINESS

ROADSIDE MOWING: Moved by Smith, seconded by Howe to approve the Lapeer County Road Commission for roadside mowing for 1 double pass in the amount of \$3,199.00 using the 50/50 mowing allocation. Roll call vote: Skovran – yes, Howe – yes, Lashbrook – yes, Smith – yes. Motion carried.

BRINE: Moved by Smith, seconded by Skovran to approve 2 brinings from the Lapeer County Road Commission at \$15,852.00. Total cost to the township will be \$7,926.00 per brine with the 50/50 allocation match used. An optional 3rd brining will be at the discretion of the Arcadia Township Supervisor and the Road Commission district foreman. Roll call vote: Smith – yes, Howe – yes, Skovran – yes, Lashbrook – yes. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE HOWE RESIGNATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION: The board received a letter and acknowledged the resignation of Trustee Howe from the Planning Commission effective March 11, 2024.

TRUSTEE HOWE APPOINTMENT TO ZBA: Moved by Smith, seconded by Skovran to accept and approve the nomination of Kathy Howe to fill the vacant seat on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried.

SEXTON CONTRACT: Moved by Smith, seconded by Howe to accept the bid for Cemetery Sexton from Right Touch Landscaping (Steve Nirhantz) in the annual amount of \$15,000 for a 3-year contract expiring March 31, 2027. Roll call vote: Skovran – yes, Lashbrook – yes, Howe – yes, Smith – yes. Motion carried.

MOWING CONTRACT: Moved by Smith, seconded by Skovran to accept the bid for Grounds Maintenance from Complete Lawn Maintenance (Joel Bicknell) in the annual amount of \$6050 for a 3-year contract expiring March 31, 2027. Roll call vote: Lashbrook – yes, Howe – yes, Smith – yes, Skovran – yes. Motion carried.

CLERK ELECTION COMPENSATION: Moved by Skovran, seconded by Howe to approve the Resolution to provide remuneration of \$2,000 to the Township Clerk for each State and Federal Election requiring 9 days of early voting effective February 2024. Roll call vote: Smith – abstain, Lashbrook – yes, Skovran – yes, Howe – yes. Motion carried.

PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS: Moved by Smith, seconded by Skovran to approve the Procedure For Payment of Bills reimbursement increase to \$1000.00 Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT ADDITION BID: Supervisor Lashbrook informed the public that the Contractor is in the permit process and the project is moving forward.

TRUSTEE VACANCY: Moved by Smith, seconded by Howe to accept the nomination for the Trustee Position to Gregory Pugh, as recommended by the Interview Committee effective April 1, 2024. Roll call vote: Skovran – yes, Lashbrook – yes, Smith – yes, Howe – yes. Motion carried.

ROADS: There was a brief discussion on the roads and projects slated for this year.

BILLS & VOUCHERS: Moved by Smith, seconded by Skovran to approve the bills and vouchers in the amount of \$73,049.51 including checks 32776-32834 for the month of February. Motion carried.

BUDGET REVIEW: Moved by Smith, seconded by Skovran to approve the budget for the month of February. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Moved by Skovran, seconded by Smith to waive the reading of the February 29, 2024 treasurers report and place it on file for audit. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was read from resident Mirium Marcus regarding the PollyAnn Trail.

BOARD REPORTS: The respective representatives gave a brief synopsis, if available, of the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Construction Code Authority, Michigan Township Association, Lapeer County Road Commission and the Lapeer County EMS.

PUBLIC TIME: Comments were heard from residents John and Ruth Stahl.

ADJOURN: Moved by Smith, seconded by Skovran to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Patricia Lashbrook, Supervisor

Sharna L. Smith, Clerk