

**Lawrence Township Regular Board Meeting  
 May 12, 2016**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present - Barnett, Thompson, Tinker, Reynnells and Stroud

Also Present: Mark DuBay, Rick Boze, Don Hanson, Jeff Moses, Donna Spenner, Deb Boze, Eric Mills, Sal Campagna, Mark Fazzini, Dan Perkins, Lawrence Hummel, Nichole Dunfield Hameed, Dan Faulkner and Matthew Nilson.

Motion made by Reynnells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stroud, to approve the April 14, 2016 Regular Board Minutes as presented. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried

Motion by Reynnells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stroud to accept the Closed Session Minutes of April 14, 2016 as amended. Roll Call Vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Stroud, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reynnells, to approve the May 12, 2016 expenditures as presented. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

**General Fund Totaling: \$17,598.93**

Date	Expenditure	Amount	Description
05/12/2016	AGS	\$510.00	PC/ZBA/Orid Enforcement
05/12/2016	AT&T	\$81.61	Cemetery Communications
05/12/2016	Attorney Mark DuBay	\$925.78	Violation/Meetings/Variance
05/12/2016	Bronsink & Bos Equipment	\$441.23	Cemetery Equipment Repairs/Maint
05/12/2016	BS & A	\$1,928.00	Assessing and Tax System Annual Service/Support
05/12/2016	BS&A Software	\$195.00	Training
05/12/2016	Comcast	\$14.96	Internet Service Provider
05/12/2016	Consumer's Energy	\$123.69	Utilities-GF Fire Hall
05/12/2016	Consumer's Energy	\$38.61	Utilities-Cemetery Memorial
05/12/2016	First National Bank - Omaha	\$11.95	Treasurer Computer Services
05/12/2016	First National Bank - Omaha	\$413.66	Postage/FH Equip&Supplies/Website/Training
05/12/2016	Frontier	\$93.46	Treasurer/Board Communications
05/12/2016	Frontier	\$46.35	Cemetery Communications
05/12/2016	Michigan Township Association	\$54.00	Clerk Manuals
05/12/2016	Pontem Software	\$792.00	Annual Support/Maint Standard Map& Data
05/12/2016	Remington Excavating	\$4,650.00	Cemetery Road Maint
05/12/2016	Richardson Oil	\$76.10	Cemetery Fuel
05/12/2016	Ricoh	\$104.02	Copier Contract
05/12/2016	State of Michigan	\$209.31	Payroll Taxes
05/12/2016	Thayer Inc.	\$12.49	FH Paper Product Supplies

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05/12/2016	Theresa Stroud	\$124.20	Training - Cash Reimbursement
05/12/2016	Village of Lawrence	\$15.84	Garbage Service
05/12/2016	Village of Lawrence	\$52.40	Utilities-Bank Bldg
05/12/2016	Vineyard Press	\$75.25	ZBA Print/Publish
05/12/2016	Wolverine Power Systems	\$40.00	Generator Repair/Maint
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$11,029.91</b>	
	<b>Payroll</b>		
05/12/2016	Donna Ghastin-Neyome	\$1,984.82	Assessor Salary
05/12/2016	Ken Barnett	\$1,011.60	Supervisor Salary
05/12/2016	Kim Thompson	\$929.52	Clerk Salary
05/12/2016	Mary Tinker	\$870.04	Treasurer Salary
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,795.98</b>	
	<b>Consent Items Already Paid</b>		
	State of Michigan	\$94.74	State Payroll Tax
	Theresa Stroud	\$78.50	Dep Treasurer Wages (4/29/16)
	Barry S. Earls	\$1,599.80	Sexton Wages
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,773.04</b>	
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$17,598.93</b>	

**LTES Fund Totaling: \$28,982.37**

Date	Expenditure	Amount	Description
05/12/2016	Aflac	\$136.37	Accident Insurance
05/12/2016	BoundTree Medical	\$171.24	QR Operating Supplies
05/12/2016	Comcast	\$7.49	Internet Service
05/12/2016	Consumers Energy	\$494.78	Utilities
05/12/2016	Crown Trophy	\$205.96	Plaques and Equipment
05/12/2016	Field Plumbing and Heating	\$251.42	Preventative Maint Agreement/Equipment
05/12/2016	Fire Catt	\$2,865.32	Annual Hose and Ladder Testing
05/12/2016	First National Bank - Omaha	\$1,609.07	Supplies/Postage/Equip Maint
05/12/2016	Frontier	\$139.05	Communications
05/12/2016	Interstate Battery	\$270.00	AED Battery
05/12/2016	LaCantina Inc.	\$1,200.00	Annual Banquet
05/12/2016	Midway Electric	\$3,337.36	Electrical and Generator Upgrade
05/12/2016	Mike Anchor	\$159.18	Communications & Cash Exp Reimbursement
05/12/2016	Moses Fire Equipment	\$6,301.14	Chainsaw/Extinguishers/Chemguard
05/12/2016	Richardson Oil Co.	\$208.45	Fuel Expense
05/12/2016	Ricoh	\$104.02	Copier Contract
05/12/2016	Rose's Service Center	\$332.33	Vehicle Maint #1769/#1710 (old)
05/12/2016	State of Michigan	\$99.89	Payroll Taxes
05/12/2016	Tapper Ford	\$18.66	Equipment Keys

05/12/2016	Thayre Inc	\$49.97	Fire Hall Paper Supplies
05/12/2016	Tyco Integrated Security	\$1,133.34	Annual Service Agreement
05/12/2016	Van Buren ISD Auto Body	\$656.89	QR Trailer Painting
05/12/2016	Village of Lawrence	\$15.84	Garbage Service
05/12/2016	Village of Lawrence	\$127.36	Utilities
05/12/2016	Walmart	\$88.40	FH Supplies
05/12/2016	Wolverine Power Systems	\$160.00	Generator Annual Maint
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$20,143.53</b>	
	<b>LTES Payroll</b>		
05/12/2016	Shanna Barnett	\$250.74	Wages
05/12/2016	Kenneth Barnett	\$192.21	Wages
05/12/2016	Charles Carpp	\$51.94	Wages
05/12/2016	Michael Carpp	\$371.50	Wages
05/12/2016	Michelle Curtis	\$128.60	Wages
05/12/2016	Barry S. Earls	\$285.36	Wages
05/12/2016	James Fein	\$209.29	Wages
05/12/2016	John Gritter	\$127.27	Wages
05/12/2016	Rolla Hemingway	\$392.54	Wages
05/12/2016	David Leach	\$12.55	Wages
05/12/2016	Steven Leach	\$34.52	Wages
05/12/2016	Steven Lowe	\$168.80	Wages
05/12/2016	Kyle Mead	\$230.07	Wages
05/12/2016	Shawn Mead	\$53.33	Wages
05/12/2016	Eric Mills	\$163.54	Wages
05/12/2016	Jon Rader	\$64.98	Wages
05/12/2016	Linnea Rader	\$45.15	Wages
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$2,782.39</b>	
	<b>Consent Items Already Paid</b>		
	Michael Anchor	\$3,352.46	Chief Salary (4/15/16; 4/29/16)
	Karen Hardin	\$2,379.69	Secretary Wages (4/15/16; 4/29/16)
	State of Michigan	\$324.30	State Payroll Tax
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$6,056.45</b>	
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$28,982.37</b>	

**Building Fund Totaling: \$2397.00**

Date	Expenditure	Amount	Description
05/12/2016	AGS - March & April Billing	\$2,397.00	8 Bldg/2 Elect/1 Mech/2 Plumbing
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,397.00</b>	

The following reports were presented to the Board:

- ✓ Sheriff's Department
- ✓ Road Commission
- ✓ Village of Lawrence
- ✓ Lawrence Township Emergency Services
- ✓ Treasurer
- ✓ Clerk
- ✓ Planning Commission
- ✓ County Commissioner

Rick Boze from the Van Buren County Sheriff's Department informed the Board that there were 80 total calls in April 2016.

Rick Boze representing the VB Co. Road Commission informed the Board that the Road Commission is operating under their summer hours of 10 hour days, 4 days per week. The locations of the upcoming chip seal projects will be posted on their Facebook page. Bids are open for the 61<sup>st</sup> Street tube project.

Larry Hummel of the VB Co. Road Commission discussed the county wide road millage renewal. \$40K will come back to Lawrence Township.

A motion to support the County Wide Millage for the Road Commission was offered by Reynnells, and supported by Stroud. All ayes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Don Hanson reported that a \$7000 grant was received to spay, neuter and vaccinate dogs for veterans. Also the Sheriff's Department received an \$8000 grant from the DNR to help fund the purchase of snowmobiles and a trailer for trail enforcement during the winter season.

Dan Faulkner from the Village informed the board that A&B Packing is expanding some of their operations to the building previously occupied by Oakland Commodities. The Health Department is re-designing their new building in an effort to lower costs. The Red Arrow Bar and the old flower shop may be eligible for Brownfield Redevelopment funds. The property at 143 North Paw Paw Street is pending foreclosure. The DDA will review.

Dan **Faulkner** and Donna Spenner recently attended a meeting for the Paw Paw River Trail which runs from Paw Paw to St Joseph. The group is interested in promoting the trail throughout the area. Dan and Donna plan to attend future meetings.

Deputy Dan Perkins of the VB Co. Sheriff's Department provided information about and spoke on behalf of David Walker who is a candidate for Sheriff.

Chief Anchor informed the Board of the approved changes to the MABAS Agreement which will not affect us here locally.

The Chief presented Shawn Mead with his badge and reported on several maintenance projects at the fire station.

Per the recommendation of the LTES membership, a motion was made by Reynnells and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tinker to approve Shawn Mead for regular membership on the fire department. All ayes. Motion carried

Per the recommendation of the LTES membership, a motion was made by Reynnells and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stroud to approve Michael Beach for 6 months probationary status on the fire department pending the receipt of his background check. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stroud and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Reynnells to approve the MABAS Resolution as presented.

Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

There has been a change in officers for the fire department. John Rader has resigned as 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant. That position has been replaced with Kyle Mead. Steve Lowe is now 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant. All officers are fire III certified and Steve has recently passed his MFR test.

Treasurer Tinker gave the financial report. She will check with Edgewater Bank on the new check stock.

Clerk Thompson reported that she and Karen will be attending election training in Kalamazoo later this month. There will be training in June for all election inspectors.

A motion was made by Reynnells and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stroud to waive our right to purchase foreclosed property at 70816 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, Lawrence, Michigan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Nichole Dunfield Hameed, candidate for 7<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge introduced herself and spoke of her qualifications.

Matthew Nilson, candidate for District 66 State Representative introduced himself and spoke of his qualifications.

The ZBA had one application which was approved.

The Planning Commission has completed the draft of the Master Plan. Per Sal Campagna, PC Chair, there is a public hearing scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in July to review the revised plan. Mike Salvanno is interested in filling the vacancy left by John Mills.

A motion was made by Reynnells and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thompson to appoint Mike Salvanno to fill the opening on the Planning Commission. All ayes. Motion carried.

Under new business, Supervisor Ken Barnett presented his letter of resignation to the Board to be effective June 23, 2016. Mr. Barnett will be relocating out of state. The Board thanked Mr. Barnett for his service to the community.

A motion was made by Reynnells and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stroud to accept Supervisor Ken Barnett's resignation effective June 23, 2016. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Barnett has appointed Donna Spenner as Deputy Supervisor.

With no further business to attend to, a motion to adjourn was made by Reynnells and second by Stroud. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Attest,

Kim Thompson, Clerk

Ken Barnett, Supervisor

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE  
MICHIGAN MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM SYSTEM AGREEMENT  
AND AUTHORIZING ITS SIGNATURE**

**WHEREAS**, the Lawrence Township Treasurer has reviewed the revised Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MI-MABAS) Agreement; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Lawrence Township Board of Trustees finds that participation in the MABAS Agreement would be in the best interest of the Township and its residents;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Lawrence Township Supervisor, Kenneth Barnett, is hereby authorized to sign the thirteen (13) page MI-MABAS Agreement, as the Township's "Chief Executive Official". The Agreement shall not be amended or modified except upon the express written approval of the Lawrence Township Board of Trustees.

Resolution offered by Stroud and supported by Reynolds

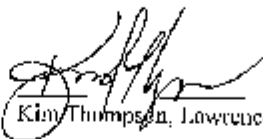
Roll Call Vote: Yes: Barnett, Thompson, Stroud, Reynolds, Tinker

No: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED:**

I hereby certify the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Lawrence Township Board of Trustees, County of Van Buren, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on May 12, 2016.

Date: 5/12/16

  
Kim Thompson, Lawrence Township Clerk