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LEONI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
December 12, 2017

The Leoni Township Board of Trustees held a Regular meeting Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. in the Leoni Township Meeting Hall, 913 Fifth St., Michigan Center, Michigan.

Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Supervisor Howard Linnabary, Clerk Michele Manke, Treasurer Stack and Trustees Corey Kennedy, Jerry Cox & Kurt Cole
Members Absent: Mike Villarreal

24 People in Attendance

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Opened at 6:04 p.m.

Closed at 6:08 p.m.

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Linnabary to approve the agenda with the removal of the planning commission appointment- Jennie Bach.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion by Manke supported by Stack to approve the Consent agenda as presented.

Minutes of November 4 & 28, 2017 and December 6, 2017 for the Regular and Special meetings and Monthly Departmental reports as presented.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion by Manke supported by Cox to approve the Accounts Payable of November 15-December 12, 2017 \$68,337.19 and December 13, 2017 in the amount of \$322,023.27.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Manke, Stack, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox

0 Nays **Motion Carried**

New Business-

Motion was made by Linnabary, seconded by Kennedy to appoint Debbie Helmlinger to the Zoning Board of appeals.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion was made by Linnabary, seconded by Cox to appoint Ryan Kintz as a regular Zoning Board of appeals member.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion was made by Linnabary, seconded by Manke to appoint Steve Sawicki as the Zoning Board of appeals alternate.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion was made by Kennedy, seconded by Cox to approve the MERS defined contribution plan for new hires beginning January 1, 2018 and close the current defined benefit plan with a Township contribution of 3%. New hire will not be required to contribute but have the option. Current DB enrollees will be offered the option to move to the DC plan if they so choose.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Manke, Stack, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox

0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Linnabary, seconded by Manke to approve the quote from Jackson glass #4477 for 2 new steel double doors to be installed in the Township Hall at a cost of \$4500.00.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Manke, Stack, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Kennedy, seconded by Cox to table the Round Lake Channel dredging for further research.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion was made by Manke, seconded by Stack to approve the medical marihuana administrative fee allocation breakdown as approved by Township Attorney Eric White.

Roll Call Vote: 4 Yeas, Manke, Stack, Linnabary & Cox
2 Nays, Cole & Kennedy **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Cox, seconded by Manke to authorize Township Attorney Eric White to draft a contract between Hammond Farms and Leoni Township for a 3 year term. Hammond Farms will spread the bio-solids on the farm fields in exchange for utilizing the Brills Lake Fire Station to store his equipment.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Motion was made by Manke, seconded by Cox to approve the recommendation from the interview committee (Linnabary, Cole & Cox) to hire Joseph Chambers as the new Building/Zoning Inspector at \$40,000.00 per year beginning January 2, 2018 with a yearly increase of up to \$1,000 based on job performance and approved by the Township Board for the first 3 years.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Linnabary, seconded by Manke to approve the request from Jerry Roe to hire Tim Bernstein in the DPW at \$14.50 per hour and after 90 days goes to \$15.00 per hour beginning January 2, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Linnabary, seconded by Stack to approve the request from Jerry Roe to hire Gilbert Preston in the DPW at \$14.50 per hour and after 90 days goes to \$15.00 per hour beginning January 2, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Linnabary, seconded by Stack to approve the purchase of the concrete dividers for the outside bio-solids storage pad from Willbee's at a cost of \$9,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Manke, seconded by Stack to approve the request to increase the Hall improvements \$33,000.00.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Cole, Linnabary & Cox
1 Nay, Kennedy **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Manke, seconded by Cox to approve the request from Director Jester to purchase 4 new ice rescue suits for \$4,120.00.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Cole, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox
0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion was made by Manke, seconded by Stack to adopt a resolution to authorize the temporary operations of the medical marihuana facilities if they qualify, authorize the Township Clerk to sign the temporary operation of existing facility attestation and the temporary applicant has to provide gross sales receipts and submit to the Township 3% sales tax (monthly) during the temporary period until a license is approved by the State of Michigan.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Yeas, Stack, Manke, Kennedy, Linnabary & Cox

1 Nay, Cole **Motion Carried**

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment Opened at 6:58 p.m.

Public Comment Closed at 7:08 p.m.

Motion by Linnabary supported by Cox to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Motion Carried by Voice Vote

Michele Manke, Clerk