

GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2023

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Ganges Township Hall located at the corner of 119th Ave and 64th St. Board members present by roll call attendance: Hutchins, Reimink, Hebert, Phelps, and Mohr.

Reimink moved, Phelps seconded to approve the agenda dated 5/16/2023 as presented with the addition of 11.E. Master Plan Approval, 11.F. Recording Secretary Job Description Approval, and 11.G. Approval of the current Library Representative's resignation letter and Letter of Intent from new interested party. Motion carried.

Correspondence- None

Comments- Philip Palley, 2278 Lakeshore Drive, had many questions about the Pier Cove Park Development. David Nash, 2308 Lakeshore Drive, concerns and suggestions about the proposed sidewalk near Pier Cove Park. Tim McKeown, Pier Cove Ravine Trust Association President, board is strongly opposed to the proposed sidewalk. Encouraged focus on the park instead of sidewalk. Jake Petkus, 2295 Lakeshore Dr, asked if the board had an opinion on the sidewalk.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded to approve the regular meeting minutes of 4/11/2023. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 4/30/2023 as follows:

General Fund	\$393,898.24
Ambulance Fund	100,090.52
Fire Fund	454,338.34
First Responders	16,385.97
Road Fund	256,446.46
Road CD	370,000.00
CD	196,151.35
CD	503,732.96

Hebert moved, Mohr seconded to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Mohr moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the budget amendments as follows: **General Fund-** Increase Inspections (MTS) by \$10,000, Planning Commission \$7,000 and Insurance \$15,300. Decrease Contingency \$32,300. **Fire Fund-** Increase Contracted Services by \$5,732, Equipment Repair/Maintenance \$10,870, and Miscellaneous \$1,109. Decrease Contingency \$17,711. Motion carried.

Mohr moved, Reimink seconded to approve the payment of bills dated 5/9/2023 as presented from the following funds: General Fund-\$40,822.27; Fire Fund-\$9,876.20; First Responder Fund-\$1,687.45; Ambulance Fund- \$3,624.65. Motion carried.

Committee Reports- Dan Diaz, Fire Chief, gave a report on Ferrara truck that is still not in service. And also reported on the fire jeep which is having issues. Getting new tires and alignment.

Hebert moved, Mohr seconded to approve the estimate from Allied Fire Sales & Service to purchase a 55 gallon drum of Fire Foam for \$1580.00. Motion carried.

AJ Broe, Cemetery Sexton, reported 1 burial last month.

Hebert moved, Phelps seconded to approve the estimate from Axman for tree removal at the end of Cedar Street for \$2500. Motion carried.

Dick Hutchins, Trustee, reported that the Master Plan was finished and after Township Board approval and 63 days, work will begin on the new Zoning Ordinance. The campground at 6708 118th Ave was approved.

Unfinished Business

Hebert moved, Mohr seconded to approve the Offer to Purchase price of \$161,000 to purchase the proposed piece from the Trull family. Motion carried.

New Business

Hebert offered with support from Phelps to approve Cemetery Ordinance No.63 as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins-Y, Reimink-Y, Hebert-Y, Phelps-Y, Mohr-Y. (5/0)

Hebert offered with support from Hutchins, to approve the Lakewood Beach Community Services Resolution. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins-Y, Reimink-Y, Hebert-Y, Phelps-Y, Mohr-Y. (5/0)

Hebert moved, Phelps seconded, to accept letter of resignation with regret from ZBA member, Emily Anderson effective June 23rd, 2023. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Mohr seconded, to approve the request to purchase Plummerville Cemetery Plot, Zone 7, Lot #66 Position 3 from Jane Chambers. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the Master Plan as presented. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the Recording Secretary Job Description as presented. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the resignation with regret from Library Representative Lindsey Gould effective May 16, 2023. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to appoint Robin Buchler as the Library Representative to finish the 3-year term ending 9/11/2024. Motion carried.

Public Comments & Announcements

David Nash, 2308 Lakeshore Dr, asked who would take care of snow removal from proposed sidewalk.

Diane Broekhuis, 2297 Lakeshore Dr, asked at what percentage completion we were at with the Pier Cove Park concept. Asked when we would be putting portable restroom at Pier Cove and also asked if there was a matching grant for Pier Cove Development. Also, asked what fund it was coming from and about fundraising. Concerned about where the money was coming from. Asked about lighting at the park and the enforcement of the rules.

Paul zurNieden, 6950 Pier Cove Lane, had some suggestions and concerns over a crosswalk and traffic calming.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Phelps, Ganges Township Clerk