

# PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP

Gratiot County, Michigan

**April 17, 2023**

## **Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Roll Call
4. Public Comments (3 Minutes)
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Approval of Minutes
  - a. March 21, 2023
7. Approval to Pay Bills
8. Reports by Boards, Committees & Agents
  - a. Treasurer's Report
  - b. Budget Report
  - c. Zoning & Blight Report
  - d. Assessor's Report
  - e. Fire Board Report
9. Business before the Board
  - a. Lawn Mower Purchase
  - b. Orchard Hills Water Agreement
10. Announcements and Upcoming Meetings
  - a. ZBA Meeting-May 4, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.
  - b. Spring Clean Up Day- May 13, 2023, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
  - c. Board Meeting – May 16, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.
11. Adjournment

**MINUTES OF THE PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**APRIL 18, 2023**

- 1) The regular monthly meeting of the Pine River Township Board was called to order at 7:00PM by Treasurer Moeggenborg at the Township Hall.
- 2) Pledge the flag: The Board and the Public said the Pledge to the flag.
- 3) Roll Call: Best: present; Moeggenborg: present; Beeson: absent; Baker: present. Whitmore: present. (4) Board members present, (1) absent.  
Guests: None
- 4) Public Comments
  - a. None
- 5) Approve the Agenda:
  - a. Motion made by Baker: second by Best: to approve the agenda as presented. All present Board members approved. The motion carried 4-0.
- 6) Approve the Minutes:
  - a. Motion made by Best: second by Baker: to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting from March 21, 2023. All present Board members approved. The motion carried 4-0.
- 7) Approval to Pay Bills:
  - a. Motion made by Baker: second by Best: to approve the payment of bills as presented in the amount of \$29,931.17. All present Board members approved. The motion carried 4-0.
- 8) Reports by Boards, Committees, and Agents
  - a. Treasurer's Report – Discussion: Board reviewed, bank reconciliations have been received and reviewed by all present. Placed on file.
  - b. Budget Report – Discussion: report placed on file.
  - c. Zoning and Blight Officer – Discussion: report placed on file. J. Baker submitted resignation from position effective in the next month or two.
  - d. Assessor Report – no report
  - e. Fire Services – no report
- 9) Business before the Board
  - a. Lawn Mower Purchase
    - i. Motion made by Best: second by Baker: to approve the purchase of a John Deere Z920M ZTrak at the price of \$10,706.54 with the trade in of current lawn mower at the value of \$6,000 for a total cost of \$4,706.54. All present Board members approved. The motion carried 4-0.
  - b. Orchard Hills Water Agreement

- i. Motion made by Best: second by Baker: to approve the agreement for the Orchard Hills Water project at a cost of \$237,540.07 with the addition of inspection and surveying fees unknown at this time. Discussion was to consider using ARPA funds. Roll Call vote: Best: yes; Moeggenborg: yes; Whitmore: yes; Baker: yes. All present Board members approved. The motion carried 4-0.

10) Extended Public Comment:

- a. None.

11) Announcements and Upcoming Meetings

- a. Board Meeting: May 16, 2023, at 7 PM

12) Adjournment

- a. Motion made by Baker: second by Whitmore: to adjourn the meeting at 7:22PM. All present Board members approved. The motion carried 4-0.

Submitted by: Andi Whitmore,  
Clerk



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Date: April 18, 2023

Sold to: Pine River Township  
Attn: Kevin Beeson, Supervisor  
1495 W Monroe Rd  
St. Louis, MI 48880

Ship to: Same

Vendor: Hutson Inc.  
1365 E Monroe Rd  
St. Louis, MI 48880

RE: Equipment Purchase from John Deere Quote #28494406

Pine River Township would like to purchase a John Deere Z920M from the quote listed above. The total cost of the equipment is \$10,706.54, with a total trade allowance of \$6,000. We would like Hutson, Inc. in St. Louis, Michigan to be the delivering dealer.

Thank you,

Kevin D. Beeson, Supervisor  
Pine River Township



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Dear Board Members:

As you know, the EPA is funding the cost of providing safe municipal drinking water to homes on Orchard Ct in the Orchard Hills subdivision through a grant to the City of St. Louis. This project will have significant impact on streets and outlaws throughout the subdivision.

- St. Louis sought bids through their engineer (Spicer Group). They received two bids (Malley Construction and Crawford Construction). St. Louis has accepted the low-qualified bid by Malley in the amount of \$2,321,694 plus necessary surveying and inspection services. The projected pre-bid cost was approximately \$1.7 million.
- I have attached the bid breakdown for your review. Pages 1- 3 are all direct costs to the EPA totaling \$2,009,127.91
- Pages 4-5 are there because it makes sense to consider long-term improvements for Orchard Hills while EPA has a contractor on-site. I asked St. Louis and Spicer to add a few feet of 8" water main to the project to close some loops of dead-end 4" water main. On the attached map, you will see two short lines colored in green. By adding these locations, we greatly improve water flow for fire protection and water quality for customers. The water main extensions in green are \$165,514.05
- EPA has agreed to crush, shape, and install new asphalt on all streets in the subdivision. They were all installed over 60 years ago. While reviewing the project with the road commission, we decided it made sense to replace all of the road culverts at this time. Changing culverts includes better swales and catch basins to better control runoff in heavy rain events.

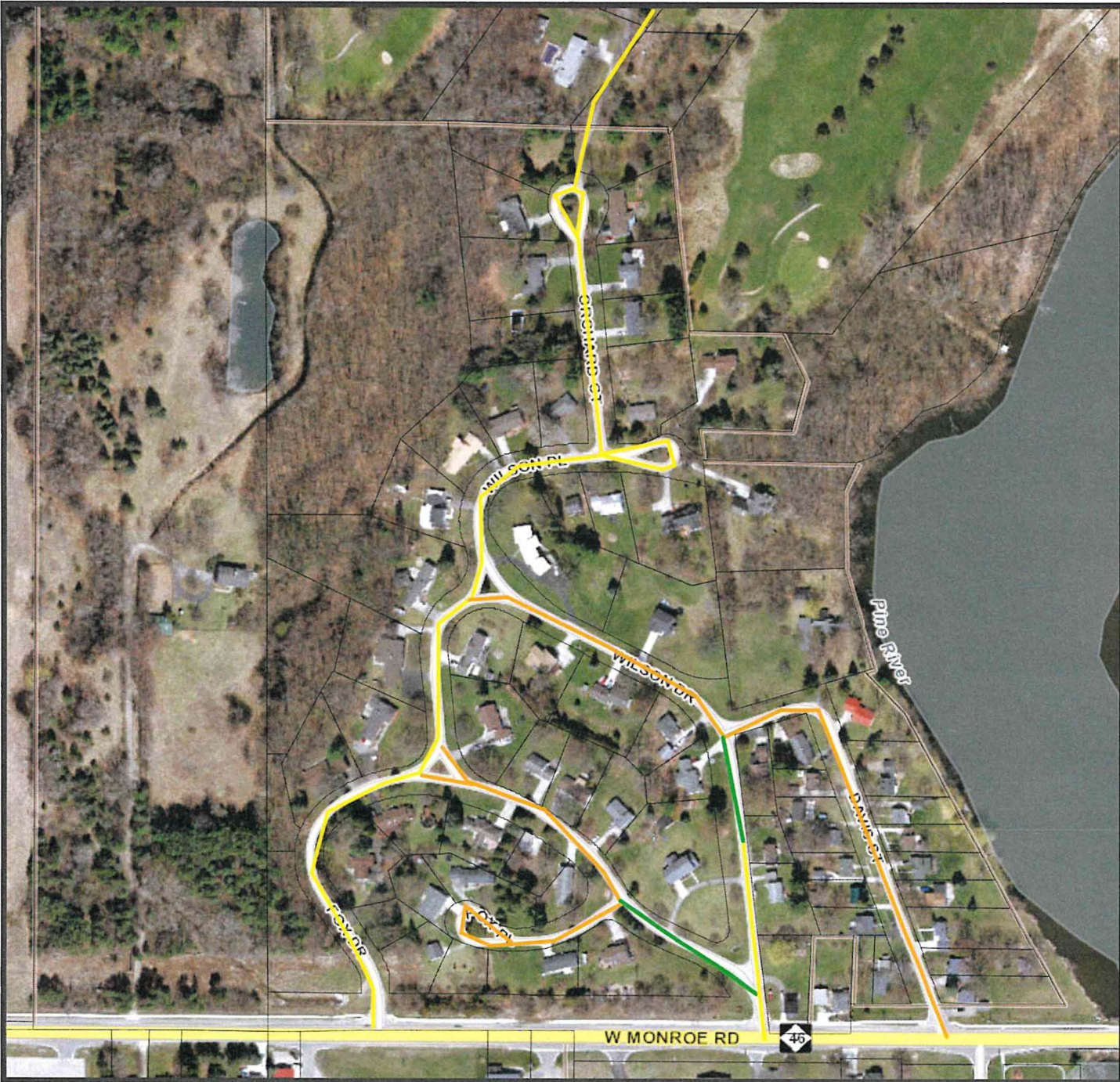
Township exposure for these local roads is \$165,514.05 for water main extensions. Drainage improvements are \$144,052.04, with the township splitting the cost with the Road Commission. This brings our construction exposure to \$165,514.05 plus \$72,026.02 for a total construction cost of \$237,540.07. There will be inspection and surveying fees added to this cost, and our share will be proportional. I do not have that projected number yet.

We have sufficient general fund monies to pay for this project. It is also a 100% qualified expenditure of our ARPA money (\$232,456.24).

This project will occur this summer/fall.

Kevin





# 2023 Water Project

EPA/City of St. Louis



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