

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees was held on December 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

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

Roll Call

Supervisor Alwood, Clerk Henry, Treasurer Rice Trustee Hauck, Lannen, Mielke and Mikus were present.

Others Present

Brian Smith, Jennifer Loveberry

Public Comment

Mary Freytag, 2460 Francis: Commented on budget, Isabella Rd. rezoning, and gave best wishes to Mr. Smith.

Ben Gunning 2270 & 2280 E. Broomfield: Commented on ordinances and types of structures built in B4 zone abutting residential properties.

Norm Woerle: Talked about increased zoning issues and the need to update ordinances.

Alanna D'Ambrosio-Berry, 2935 Billbrael: Voiced concerns with safety on Crawford Rd., she attended Road Commission meeting and contacted CMU and is looking for support with this issue.

Reports/Board Comments

Lannen – attended County of Governance meeting in Chippewa Township, asked about changes with MAC TV, would like all Township Boards to be televised, would like management to make contact with CMU regarding Crawford Rd. safety issues.

Mielke – supported Trustee Lannen's comment about having all Township Boards televised. Talked about 6.2 zoning ordinance.

Approval of Agenda

Hauck moved **Mikus** supported to approve the agenda with the following change: Move Item H after the Budget Hearing. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda

- A. Communications
 - Planning Commission Minutes
 - EDA Minutes
- B. Minutes – November 11, 2015 Regular Meeting
- C. Minutes – November 19, 2015 Special Meeting
- D. Bills
- E. Payroll
- F. Meeting Pay

Mielke moved **Mikus** supported to approve the consent agenda with corrections to the November 11, 2015 minutes, item C. correcting vote. Vote: **Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

BOARD AGENDA

A. 2016 Budget Hearing

The Budget Hearing was advertised in the local newspaper and available at the township hall.

Public Hearing open at 7:28 p.m. – None.

B. Brian Smith resignation

Mr. Smith submitted his 30 days notice to the board per the requirements of his contract. His last day with the township will be December 31, 2015. He thanked the board and prior board of trustees as well as the staff, expressing his pleasure to part of the townships growth during his tenure. **Mikus** motioned **Hauck** supported to accept Brian Smith's resignation. Vote: **Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

C. Michigan Municipal League Presentation

Kathie Grinzinger from the Michigan Municipal League presented information to the Board regarding the search process, project timing and fees when searching for a new manager. **Mikus** motioned **Mielke** supported to hire the Michigan Municipal League to do a search for a new Union Township manager not to exceed \$17,000. Vote: **Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

D. Rezone introduction 931 S. Isabella Rd. from I-1 to R-1 (first reading)

Mikus motioned **Lannen** supported to send REZ 2015-04: 931 S. Isabella Rd. to publication.

Vote: **Roll Call Ayes: Alwood, Henry, Rice, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Mikus. Motion carried.**

E. Appointment to Board of Review

Henry motioned **Mielke** supported the appointment of Bryan Neyer to the Board of Review. Vote: **Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

F. Crawford Rd. Safety Issues

Continued discussion by the Board. Add to January 2016 Agenda.

G. B-4 / Managing Growth (discussion)

Continued discussion by the Board.

H. Veterans Day

Discussion was held by the board, different ideas were talked about on how to honor the Veterans. No action taken.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT

Open at 8:46p.m.

Ben Gunning, 2270 & 2280 E. Broomfield – voiced issues and concerns with township operations and boards.

Hazen Nester - talked about MAC TV updates

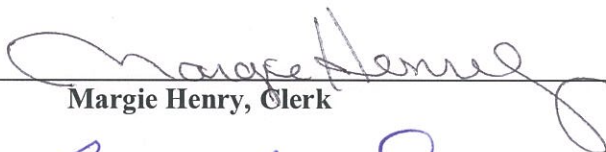
FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mielke – would like set meeting up with Kathie Grinzinger for mid January.

ADJOURNMENT

Hauck motioned **Rice** supported to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m. **Ayes: all. Motion carried.**

APPROVED BY:



Margie Henry, Clerk



Russ Alwood, Supervisor

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)