CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees was held on October 12, 2016 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

Mark Stuhldreher, Kim Smith, Pat DePriest, Sherrie Teall, Peter Gallinat, and Jennifer Loveberry

Presentations

Public Comment - open 7:24 p.m.

No comments.

Reports/Board Comments

Henry – Commented on November 8, 2016 elections, encouraged voters to call with any questions. Mielke –Updates from the Planning Commission (Plaza Corp. on Bluegrass Rd.). Lannen – Commented on safety of pedestrians, still feels strongly on having a pathway on N. Crawford Rd. by the Dog Park.

Approval of Agenda

Hauck moved Rice supported to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

- A. Communications
- B. Minutes September 20, 2016 Regular Meeting
- C. Bills
- D. Payroll
- E. Fire Reports
- F. 2.5.10 Cash Flow Ratio

Mikus moved Rice supported to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

BOARD AGENDA

A. \$18k Commitment to Trail Way Project connecting Shepherd to Township
Presented by Mark Stuhldreher. Steve Davidson, Chairman of Mid-MI Pathways
Group, was available to answer Board of Trustee questions. Mikus moved Henry
supported to approve the resolution authorizing a commitment of an additional
\$18,000.00 to the MMPC Group to facilitate the completion of a paved, non-motorized
pathway between Shepherd and Mt. Pleasant in Isabella County with a connection point

in Union Township. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Supervisor Alwood, Clerk Henry, Treasurer Rice, Trustees Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Mikus Nays: 0. Motion carried.

B. Approve Service Agreement with LSL Planning to assist with Union Township Master Plan Update

Hauck moved Henry supported to approve the Service Agreement with LSL Planning in the amount of \$19,100.00. Vote: ayes: 7 nays: 0. Motion carried.

C. Continued Discussion of FY 2017 Budget Development

Township Manager, Mark Stuhldreher, distributed the FY 2017 recommended budget to the Board of Trustees. Discussion was held by the Board. Mielke moved Mikus supported to draft a resolution effective 11/20/2016 the seven elected officials will no longer be eligible for benefits beyond payroll that include the following: health, dental, retirement, life and disability, and clothing allowance. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Treasurer Rice, Trustees Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Mikus Nays: Supervisor Alwood and Clerk Henry. Motion carried.

D. Set 2017 Budget Hearing and Advertise – Public Hearing to be held on 11/21/16 Mikus moved Lannen supported to set and advertise the public hearing for the proposed 2017 Budget Hearing and the property tax millage rate to be levied to support that budget for November 21, 2016. Vote: ayes: 7 nays: 0. Motion carried.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT - Open 9:25 p.m.

No comments.

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Lannen – Commended the Board of Trustees during the budget discussions and decisions.

MANAGER COMMENTS

Township updates given to the Board of Trustees. FY 2017 budget amendments will be added to future Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Hauck moved Rice supported to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m. Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVED BY:

Margie Henry Clerk

Russell V. Alwood, Superxisor

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)