

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees was held on November 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Supervisor Gunning, Clerk Cody, Treasurer Rice, Trustee Lannen, Mikus and Woerle

Excused: Trustee B. Hauck

Others Present

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

Approval of Agenda

Cody moved **Rice** supported to add reinstatement of Board of Trustee benefits to the Agenda.

Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 3. Motion failed. **Mikus** moved **Woerle** supported to add continued discussion of FY 2017 discussion to the Agenda. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Mikus moved **Woerle** supported to approve the agenda with the addition of adding FY 2017 continued discussion. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Presentations

New Board Welcome Packet presented by Township Manager, Mark Stuhldreher.

Public Hearings

Lannen moved **Rice** supported to open the FY 2017 Budget Public Hearing at 7:18 p.m. **Vote:**

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried. **Rice** moved **Cody** supported to approve closing the FY 2017 Budget Public Hearing at 7:19 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried**

Public Comment - open 7:19 p.m.

No comments.

Reports/Board Comments

Lannen – Commented that he attended the Council of Governance Meeting on November 16.

Woerle – Updates from the Planning Commission.

Consent Agenda

A. Communications

- EDA Minutes – October 18, 2016
- Planning Commission Minutes – October 18, 2016

B. Minutes November 9, 2016 – Regular Meeting

C. Payroll

D. Meeting Pay

E. Fire Reports

Rice moved Mikus supported to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

BOARD AGENDA

A. Consider Adoption of Resolution where by Board of Trustees shall approve or reject Master Plan once presented by Planning Commission

Mikus moved Lannen supported to approve adoption of Resolution where the Board of Trustees shall approve or reject the Master Plan once presented by the Planning Commission. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Supervisor Gunning, Clerk Cody, Treasurer Rice, Trustees Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

B. Board Governance Policy

An informational discussion was held by the newly sworn Board of Trustees on section 3.8 & 3.9 Board Committee Principle and Structures.

C. Consider Board Appointments to Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals

Lannen supported Supervisor Gunning's nomination to appoint Norm Woerle to the Planning Commission as the Board of Trustee Representative. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Woerle moved Rice supported to accept Supervisor Gunning's nomination to appoint Bryan Mielke to the Planning Commission, term ending 2/15/18. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Lannen supported to accept Supervisor Gunning's nomination to appoint Bryan Mielke to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term ending 2/18/18, as the Planning Commission's Representative. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

D. Continued Discussion of FY 2017 Budget Development

Discussion was held by the Board. Mikus moved Lannen supported to remove line items for the Deputy Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk in the FY2017 Recommended Budget. **Vote: Ayes: 2 Nays: 4. Motion failed.**

MANAGER COMMENTS

- Talked about having Sue Radwan come to a special meeting (January 2017) to discuss the principles of the Policy Governance Manual.
- Set and approve 2017 Scheduled Board Meeting Schedule at one of the December meetings.
- Assignment of Board Members to outside meetings (Road Commission, Isabella County Commission, City of Mt. Pleasant Board of Commissioners, MMDC, others to be added from time to time per approval of the Board).

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT - Open 9:44 p.m.

Peter Gallinat, 2953 N. Concourse – Shared about deputies for the Clerk and Treasurer while he was Union Township Clerk.

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Gunning – Shared that as Supervisor, he would focus on the best interests of the Citizens.

Woerle – Focused on Principle of Excellence ethics for this Board and all appointments to Township Boards/Commissions.

Rice – Requested Boards approval to attend MTA Training on 11/30/16 for herself. **Rice** moved

Cody supported to approve Treasurer Rice to attend the MTA Training on November 30, 2016.

Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mikus – Would like elected officials to look at statutory requirements for the three positions, Supervisor, Clerk, and Treasurer, and see if there is a need for a paid deputy for Clerk and Treasurer.

Lannen – Would like the Township to consider a hosting an Ethic Workshop, like one put on in the past by the City of Mt. Pleasant.

ADJOURNMENT

Woerle moved **Rice** supported to adjourn the meeting at 10:12p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk



Ben Gunning, Supervisor

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)