

**2017 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 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

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

**Roll Call**

Present: Supervisor Gunning, Clerk Cody, Treasurer Rice, Trustees B. Hauck, Lannen, and Woerle

Excused: Mikus

**Approval of Agenda**

**Gunning moved Woerle supported to approve the agenda with the addition of item E. Trustee Compensation Increase. Vote: Ayes: 3 Nays: 3. Motion failed.**

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

**Presentations**

**Public Hearings**

- A. Public Hearing for FY 2018 Proposed Budget  
Open at 7:05 p.m. – No comments were offered. Closed at 7:05 p.m.
- B. Public Hearing for Ordinance 2017-08  
Open at 7:07 p.m. – No comments were offered. Closed at 7:07 p.m.

**Public Comment** - open 7:07 p.m.

No comments offered.

**Reports/Board Comments**

Gunning – Commented on openings on Boards / Commissions.

Lannen – Updates Isabella County Commission.

Cody – Updates from the City of Mt. Pleasant.

Hauck – Road Commission updates.

Woerle – Planning Commission updates.

**Consent Agenda**

- A. Communications
- B. Minutes December 4, 2017 – Regular Meeting
- C. Accounts Payable
- D. Payroll
- E. Meeting Pay
- F. Fire Reports

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

## **BOARD AGENDA**

**A. Discussion/ Action: (Stuhldreher) Approval of the Special Use Permit (SUP) 2017-05 application for self storage buildings at 1982 E. Remus Rd.**

As a body, The Board of Trustees reviewed each of the General Requirements in Section 30.3(A) of the Zoning Ordinance and found the planned use met these requirements. Bradley Wierda, Attorney for Union Township and the applicants Attorney, Joseph Quandt both suggested also assessing Section 30.4(U) Self-Storage Buildings of the Zoning Ordinance, which the Township Manager read through the section, referencing the special conditions required for the special use finding the planned use met these requirements as well.

**Cody moved Hauck supported to approve the Special Use Permit (SUP) 2017-05 application for self storage buildings at 1982 E. Remus Rd. on the condition that all requirements of Section 30 of the Zoning Ordinance and the conditions stated in the Mediation Settlement dated November 29, 2017 are adhered to. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Cody, Rice, Hauck, and Lannen. Nays: Woerle. Motion carried.**

**B. Discussion/ Action: (Stuhldreher) FY 2017 Budget Amendment #2 for the General Fund, Fire Fund, East DDA Fund, and Water Fund**

**Woerle moved Cody supported to approve FY 2017 Budget Amendment #2 for the General Fund, Fire Fund, East DDA Fund, Sewer Fund and Water Fund. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**C. Discussion/ Action: (Gallinat) Adoption of Ordinance 2017-08, Rezone PID #14-034-40-001-01 R5 to AG**

**Woerle moved Cody supported to adopt Ordinance 2017-08 along with publishing a notice of adoption of Ordinance 2017-08 in the newspaper. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Cody, Rice, Hauck, Lannen, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**D. Discussion/ Action: (Cody) Consider approval to increase the Township Manager's annual base pay**

**Hauck moved Rice supported to approve to increase the Township Manager's annual base salary by \$1,000 effective January 1, 2018. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT** - Open 8:09 p.m.  
No comments were offered.

## **MANAGER COMMENTS**

- Mentioned security awareness training program to be completed by staff and elected officials to help defend against cybercrime.

- EDA Project subcommittee met to discuss future projects.
- Building Official resigned, Steve Krotzer from McKenna will be named the Township's new Building Official, a future Agenda Item to follow.
- Received letter stating that the Township will be receiving grant money from the June flood.
- Next Scheduled Board of Trustee Meeting will be Monday, December 18, 2017.
- The Board confirmed that Union Township will be observing Christmas Eve and Christmas Day on Friday 12/22/17 and Monday 12/25/17.

**FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**


Woerle – Brought up increasing Trustee compensation, discussion by Board of Trustees. Explained why he voted the way that he did and stated that he stands with the Board's vote.  
 Rice – Stated that she will not be attending the December 18<sup>th</sup> Board of Trustees Meeting.  
 Gunning - Talked about 12 month accomplishments.  
 Hauck – Asked about how many residents have a membership to the bark park.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Cody moved Rice supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.**  
**Motion carried.**

**APPROVED BY:**

  
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 Lisa Cody, Clerk

  
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 Ben Gunning, Supervisor

*(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)*