

2018 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 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

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

Roll Call

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

Approval of Agenda

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

Presentations

Public Hearings

Public Comment - open 7:01 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Reports/Board Comments

Cody – Election went well, shared that the Township had a 58% turn out

Rice – 2018 Winter Taxes will be out in the mail by 12/1/18

Hauck – Isabella County Road Commission updates

Mikus – Asked the Board of Trustees for ideas/recommendations for the Sustainability Committee, possibility of suspending the Task Force as all tasks have been completed, discuss at 11/28/18 meeting

Lannen – Isabella County Commission updates

Consent Agenda

- A. Communications
- B. Minutes October 24, 2018 – Regular Meeting
- C. Accounts Payable
- D. Payroll
- E. Meeting Pay
- F. Fire Reports

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

BOARD AGENDA

A. Discussion/Action: (DePriest) Approval of a Resolution for an alternate meeting date for the July 2019 Board of Review

Cody moved Woerle supported to approve a Resolution for an alternate meeting date for the July 2019 Board of Review, changing the meeting date to July 17, 2019. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Cody, Rice, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

***Lannen excused from meeting 7:37 p.m.**

B. Discussion/Action: (DePriest/Gallinat) Introduce Ordinance 2018-06 for first reading and publish notice of public hearing for the adoption of Ordinance 2018-06 at the November 28, 2018 Board of Trustees Meeting

Mikus moved Cody supported to approve introducing Ordinance 2018-06 for a first reading and publish a notice of public hearing for the adoption of Ordinance 2018-06 at the November 28, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting in the newspaper. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Excused: Lannen Motion carried.**

C. Discussion/Action: (Gallinat): Introduce Rezoning Ordinance 2018-07, conduct a first reading. Publish a notice of a public hearing to consider adoption/rejection of Rezoning Ordinance 2018-07 on 11/28/2018

Cody moved Mikus supported to reject rezoning Ordinance 2018-07 per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Cody, Rice, Hauck, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: Gunning Excused: Lannen. Motion carried.**

***Lannen returned 7:57 p.m.**

D. Discussion/Action: (Gallinat) Introduce Rezoning Ordinance 2018-08, conduct a first reading. Publish a notice of a public hearing to consider adoption/rejection of Rezoning Ordinance 2018-08 on 11/28/2018

Cody moved Hauck supported to approve introducing Rezoning Ordinance 2018-08, conduct a first reading. Publish a notice of a public hearing to consider adoption/rejection of Rezoning Ordinance 2018-08 on 11/28/2018. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

E. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Approval of the termination of existing 20-foot Sanitary Sewer Public Utility Easement for Aldi Foods, parcel #14-026-40-001-18

Woerle moved Lannen supported approval of the termination of existing 20-foot Sanitary Sewer Public Utility Easement for Aldi Foods, parcel number 14-026-40-001-18. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

F. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Chlorine Generation Equipment Isabella Treatment Plant

1. Combined RFBA Evoqua Chlorine Generation Equipment

Woerle moved **Cody** supported approval of the purchase of two replacement chassis for the existing Evoqua Water Technologies chlorine generation equipment at the Isabella Well Site in the amount of \$14,548.00. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

2. Combined RFBA Post Chlorine Generation Equipment

Mikus moved **Woerle** supported approval of the purchase of post-chlorine generation equipment from RS Technical Services Inc. for the Isabella Well site in the amount of \$25,380.00. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

G. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Approval of Second Amendment to Site Lease and First Amendment to Short Form Lease between Charter Township of Union and New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC (AT&T) at the Broadway Tower

Lannen moved **Cody** supported approval of the Second Amendment to Site Lease and First Amendment to Short Form of Lease between the Charter Township of Union and New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC, (AT & T) at the Broadway Tower. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

H. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Approval of Commercial Property Utility Service and Franchise Agreement for Broomfield Commons Condominium Project B, C, D, and E located at 2420 East Broomfield Rd.

Mikus moved **Woerle** supported approval of Commercial Property Utility Service and Franchise Agreement for Broomfield Commons Condominium Project units B, C, D, and E located at 2420 East Broomfield Road. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT - Open 8:28 p.m.

Jeffrey Wigand 3780 St. Andrews – Addressed the Board regarding scheduled meetings held in the Township Board Room questioned ADA compliance.

Board suggested that questions should be direct to Township staff, as this section of the meeting is comment only.

MANAGER COMMENTS

- Restrooms at the parks have been closed for the season.
- Left turn signal located at Pickard/Isabella is still at the Lansing Office.
- Request made to the Road Commission for a traffic speed study to be conducted on River Rd. between Lincoln and Meridian
- Holiday lights have been installed on Pickard – EDA to be commended for the lighting and decorations
- Fire Millage passed
- Staffing Changes: Jeff Hohlbein promoted to Waste Water Operator and Mark Theisen has been hired to fill the utility laborer position
- 11/28 Board of Trustees meeting to include: Fire contract renewal, set date for the Public Hearing for the proposed 2019 Budget, and Budget Amendment #4, and a Resolution to

acknowledge and honor Ken Schaeffer for his work that he has done at the Township over the years

- Commented on the Rebranding Project that the Township participated over the last 6 months held their reveal at the Art Reach gallery last night / for more information visit <https://www.mountpleasantwow.com/meet-here/>

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Gunning – Commented on Proposal 1 Marijuana Legalization / Board discussion

Hauck – Requested updated information regarding the Nottawa Township Waste Water Treatment Facility

Lannen – Mentioned that he attended the Brand Reveal and suggested that the Board become familiar with the community brand reveal

Woerle – Made suggestion that Agenda reflects Public Comment is just meant for comments, any questions should be directed to Township Management.

Closed Session

8:51 p.m. - As allowed by Section 8(e) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, **Woerle** moved **Cody** supported that the Board convene in closed session to consult with our attorney regarding trial and/or settlement strategy in connection with the Lux matter, as an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigation and/or settlement position of Township. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Cody, Rice, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

10:06 p.m. – **Rice** moved **Woerle** supported to come out of closed session. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Cody, Rice, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.**


ADJOURNMENT

Hauck moved **Rice** supported to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk



Ben Gunning, Supervisor

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)