

## 2019 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION

### Board of Trustees

### Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees was held on July 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

**Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.**

### Roll Call

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

### Approval of Agenda

Woerle moved Mikus supported to approve the Agenda as amended, moving Closed Session after Agenda Item A. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

### Presentations

### Public Hearings

#### Public Comment - open 7:04 p.m.

Jerry Jaloszynski – In favor of Conservation District project

Mike Scherba, 1062 Isabella Dr. – In favor of Conservation District project

Roger Fuller, 292 S. Mission Rd. – Not in favor of Conservation District project

Gayle Beadle, 208 S. Mission - Not in favor of Conservation District project

Ward Forquer, Deerfield Township - In favor of Conservation District project

Mike Walton, 4085 S. Mission - Not in favor of Conservation District project

David Gilpin – 4220 E. Baseline – Commented about drainage issue regarding the Conservation District project

Bob Gilpin, 4103 E. Valley Rd. - Not in favor of Conservation District project

Nancy Walworth, 4220 E. Baseline / Bed & Biscuit Pet Resort - Not in favor of Conservation District project

Emma Fuller, 292 S. Mission Rd. - Not in favor of Conservation District project

Frank Engler, Isabella County Commissioner - In favor of Conservation District project

Don Hamilton, Lapham Associates - In favor of Conservation District project

Pete Lorenz, Engineer of Conservation Project – Addressed stormwater management comments

Heidi Gilpin, Baseline Rd.- Commented about drainage issue regarding the Conservation District project

Carrie Paquette – Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe - In favor of Conservation District project

Martha Dennis, 4157 E. Valley Rd. - Not in favor of Conservation District project

Dave Coyne, 1368 N. Harris – In support of Township Assessor

Crystal Beutler, Isabella Conservation District Administrator – Reported that The Conservation District collected 62,000 lbs. of electronic waste at the event recently held in June.

Terry Turnwald, 5434 Millbrook - In favor of Conservation District project

Doug LaBelle – In support of Township Assessor

Craig Gravette, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe - In favor of Conservation District project

Jennifer Walton – Would support project if it were relocated

Rhonda Graham, 775 Meadowbrook - In favor of Conservation District project  
Closed 7:49 p.m.

### **Reports/Board Comments**

Gunning – Updates from the EDA

Cody – City of Mt. Pleasant Updates

Rice – Reported that Summer Taxes were mailed out by July 1, 2019

Hauck – Road Commission Updates

Mikus – Shared the volume report from the Isabella County Recycling Center October 2018 – June 2019

### **Consent Agenda**

- A. Communications
- B. Minutes – June 26, 2019- regular meeting
- C. Accounts Payable
- D. Payroll
- E. Meeting Pay
- F. Fire Reports

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

### **BOARD AGENDA**

- A. **Discussion/Action: (Gallinat) Final consideration regarding Special Use Permit (SUP) application 2019-04 by the Isabella Conservation District (the District) for a Public and Institutional use located at S. Mission Rd. for operating an electronic waste recycling facility.**

The Board went through Zoning Ordinance Special Use Permit Section 30.3A 1-10 and Public and Institutional Uses Section Q. 1-4.

**Lannen** moved **Cody** supported to deny Special Use Permit (SUP) application 2019-04 by the Isabella Conservation District for a Public and Institutional use located at S. Mission Rd. for the purpose of operating an electronic waste recycling facility. **Roll Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

### **Closed Session**

A. Review Attorney/Client privileged communication with Township Legal Council  
8:53 p.m.

**Cody** moved **Rice** supported to meet in closed session under Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider written material from the Township attorney that is exempt from disclosure by Section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act. **Roll Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

9:25 p.m.

**Woerle** moved **Hauck** supported to come out of closed session. **Roll Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

**Gunning** moved **Cody** supported that the Township shall continue funding for Patricia DePriest's legal defenses in case number 18-cv-1334, not to exceed \$10,000, bringing the total

approved funding to \$20,000. Should this cap be reached, the Township Board will receive an update for reconsideration. **Roll Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mikus, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

**B. Board of Trustees annual review of Board Governance Policy No. 3.6 – Supervisor’s Role in the Board’s Process**

Discussion was held by the Board.

**EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT** - Open 9:58 p.m.

No comments were offered.

**MANAGER COMMENTS**

**FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Lannen – Commented on requested work session for water/sewer rate information, asked for marijuana law informational presentations, and asked administration to explore insurance coverages that would cover legal defenses for Township staff.

Hauck – Inquired about Wage and Compensation Study. Little League State Tournament will be July 18<sup>th</sup> – July 24<sup>th</sup>

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Woerle moved Rice supported to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 p.m. Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**APPROVED BY:**

  
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Lisa Cody, Clerk

  
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Ben Gunning, Supervisor

*(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)*