

**2020 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**Regular - Electronic Meeting Minutes**

A regular-electronic meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees was held on May 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. as a virtual meeting through the Zoom meeting platform.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**Approval of Agenda**

**Cody moved Mielke supported to approve the Agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**Presentations**

**Public Hearings**

**Public Comment**

Open: 7:04 p.m.

Gordon Bloem, 108 S. University Ave #1 (Representing James and Jeremy Zalud) - Commented on Extraction Ordinance

Joe Quandt, 412 S. Union St. Traverse City - Commented on Extraction Ordinance

Closed 7:08 p.m.

**Reports/Board Comments**

**A. Current List of Boards and Commissions – Appointments as needed**

**Gunning nominated Hauck supported to appoint Jeff Sweet to the Planning Commission. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Cody, and Hauck Nays: Rice, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Motion failed.**

**B. Board Member Reports**

Cody – City of Mt. Pleasant updates

**Consent Agenda**

- A. Communications
- B. Minutes – April 22, 2020 – Regular Meeting
- C. Minutes – April 30, 2020 – Special Meeting
- D. Accounts Payable
- E. Payroll
- F. Meeting Pay
- G. Fire Reports

**Cody moved Mielke supported to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

## **BOARD AGENDA**

### **A. Discussion/Action: (Smith) The Township Board of Trustees is requested to approve the bid from Sinclair Recreation, LLC for the installation of the Oak Creek playground structure at Jameson Park**

**Woerle** moved **Cody** supported to approve the bid from Sinclair Recreation, LLC for the installation of the Oak Creek playground structure at Jameson Park in the amount of \$20,066.44. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

### **B. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) Final consideration and adoption of the proposed Extraction Ordinance**

**Lannen** moved **Woerle** supported that the Union Township Board of Trustees to adopt the proposed Extraction Ordinance. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

### **EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE**

Open 7:58 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed 7:58 p.m.

### **MANAGER COMMENTS**

- Mentioned to the Board that the Assessor job posting went up a week ago, both a w-2 and/or contractual contract with a May 29, 2020 deadline.

### **FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**Gunning** – Mentioned that all correspondence to Board members should be mailed to Township Hall or to township email.

**Cody** – Asked the Board to consider a one-time recycling pick up for Union Township and direct Township Staff to explore this possibility, Board members are in favor of this recommendation. Mentioned that she's disappointed that the Planning Commission seat has not been filled.

**Hauck** – Shared that the Isabella County Fair has been cancelled this year due to Covid-19, please find ways to continue supporting local 4-H kids.

**Mielke** – Asked that Township Staff add discussion of the policy regarding neighborhood road assessments to the next Agenda. Commented on involvement by all participants during discussions of the Extraction Ordinance.

**Lannen** – Disappointed in the lack of nomination to the Planning Commission.

**Woerle** – Supported Clerk **Cody's** comment regarding appointment to the open Planning Commission seat and asked that the current applications be brought up at the next meeting for an up and down vote at the next meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Hauck** moved **Rice** supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.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)*