

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 July 8, 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.

Cody moved Mielke supported to nominate Treasurer Rice as Chair for tonight's meeting in the absence of the Supervisor. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, and Mielke Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Technical issues - Woerle

Roll Call

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

Excused: Supervisor Gunning

Technical issues – Woerle

Approval of Agenda

Cody moved Mielke supported to approve the Agenda as amended, adding Presentation by Assessor Ed VanderVries. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Rice, Cody Hauck, Lannen, and Mielke Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Presentations

Township Manager acknowledged and thanked Pat DePriest for her many years' service to the Township. He then introduced of Ed VanderVries, Assessor of record appointed by the Board at the June 24th Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. VanderVries also thanked Pat DePriest for the smooth transition to Union Township.

Public Hearings

Public Comment

Open: 7:10 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed 7:11 p.m.

Reports/Board Comments

- **Current List of Boards and Commissions – Appointments as needed**
- **Board Member Reports**

Rice –Sidewalk Committee updates

Hauck – Road Commission updates

Consent Agenda

- Communications
- Minutes – June 24, 2020 – Regular Meeting
- Accounts Payable
- Payroll
- Meeting Pay
- Fire Reports

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

BOARD AGENDA

- A. Discussion/Action: Consider approval of a Special Assessment Policy regarding total project cost, number of annual installments and interest rate for citizen initiated public improvement paving projects, using PA 188 of 1954 as the underlying statute**

Mielke moved Woerle supported to approve the Special Assessment Policy regarding total project cost, number of annual installments and interest rate for citizen initiated public improvement paving projects, using PA 188 of 1954 as the underlying statute. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

- B. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) To conduct a Second Reading for and consider adoption of the proposed PTXT20-01 Text Amendments to Sections 13.2 and 30.4 of the Zoning Ordinance to update the standards and approval process requirements for sand and gravel pits and other extraction operations.**

Woerle moved Cody supported to conduct a Second Reading and adopt the proposed PTXT20-01 Text Amendments to Sections 13.2 and 30.4 of the Zoning Ordinance to update the standards and approval process requirements for sand and gravel pits and other extraction operations. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

- C. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) To conduct a Second Reading for and consider adoption of the proposed PTXT20-01 Text Amendments to Section 3.41 of the Zoning Ordinance to revise the definition of lot**

Hauck moved Woerle supported to conduct a Second Reading and adopt the proposed PTXT20-01 Text Amendments to Section 3.41 of the Zoning Ordinance to revise the definition of lot. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

- D. Discussion/Action: (Board of Trustees) Election Inspector pay**

Cody moved Hauck supported to increase the Election Inspector pay to \$14 regular /\$16 Chair effective 7/8/2020. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Rice, Cody, Hauck, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: Lannen. Motion Carried.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open 7:48 p.m.

Jim Horton of the 4th District County Commission updated the board on county government mentioning that the County Buildings are delaying opening for another couple of weeks and wished everyone a Happy 4th of July (late).

Closed 7:51 p.m.

MANAGER COMMENTS

- Shared logistics regarding plans for traffic flow of citizens and safety of citizen's and staff during the August 4, 2020 election, as of right now, Management plans on closing Township Hall for regular business on the day of the election
- Commented that there may be a closed session at the next meeting to discuss the Pung matter

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Cody – Thank you to Pat DePriest for her years of service to Union Township and hopes she enjoys retirement

Hauck – Asked about why Union Township doesn't have cemeteries. Also asked if this Board could hold meetings at the Commission on Aging.

Mielke – Commented that he supports the election pay increase for this election but would like to reevaluate pay before the next election cycle.

Woerle – Commented that COVID-19 is real not political. We all need to work together so we will see the numbers go down – Wear a mask – Social Distance – Wash your hands

ADJOURNMENT

Hauck moved Mielke supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m. Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVED BY:

Lisa Cody, Clerk

Ben Gunning, Supervisor

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)