

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 22, 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

Technical issues – Woerle

Approval of Agenda

Mielke moved Hauck supported to approve the Agenda as amended, moving Closed Session to Item 8 and moving Item A to Item D. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody Hauck, Lannen, and Mielke Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Presentations

Public Hearings

Public Comment

Open: 7:07 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed 7:07 p.m.

Closed Session

7:10 p.m.

Rice moved Cody supported that the Board meet in closed session under Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider written material from the Township's attorney that is exempt from disclosure by Section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, as well as under Section 8(e) of the Open Meetings Act to consult with the Township's attorney regarding specific pending litigation. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.

8:10 p.m.

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

Rice moved Cody supported to accept the recommendation by counsel regarding settlement authorization. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Woerle moved Hauck supported to increase coverage for legal fees regarding the Pung vs. DePriest case for an additional \$5,000.00, capping this figure and allowing for reconsideration when the amount is reached. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke,

and Woerle Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Reports/Board Comments

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

Gunning – EDA updates

Cody – Election updates

Rice –Reminder tax payments may be dropped off at Township Hall utilizing the outside drop box, mailed to Township Hall, or online using BS&A online payment option by going to uniontownshipmi.com home page and clicking on the Bill Pay

Hauck – Road Commission updates

8:48 p.m. Cody technical issue

Consent Agenda

- Communications
- Minutes – July 22, 2020 – Regular Meeting
- Accounts Payable
- Payroll
- Meeting Pay
- Fire Reports
- Approval of two residential Water Franchise Agreements for parcel numbers 14-010-30-003-09 (1A) & 14-010-30-003-10 (1B) located at 1368 N. Harris St.

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

BOARD AGENDA

8:50 p.m. Cody resumed on Zoom platform

A. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Board of Trustees requested to approve bid from Mt. Pleasant Heating and Airconditioning for the replacement of 2 five-ton air conditioning units and one heating unit at Township Hall

Hauck moved Rice supported to approve the bid from Mt. Pleasant Heating and Airconditioning in the amount of \$12,129.00 for the replacement of 2 five-ton air conditioning units and one heating unit at Township Hall. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

B. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Consideration to approve the Township Participation Contract with the Isabella County Road Commission (ICRC) for the Broadway and Isabella Roads Intersection Design Phase

Mielke moved Lannen supported to approve the Township Participation Contract with the Isabella County Road Commission (ICRC) for the Broadway and Isabella Roads Intersection Design Phase in the amount of \$30,000 and authorize the Township Manager to sign said contracts.

**Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0.
Motion Carried.**

C. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Consideration to approve the Township Participation Contract with the Isabella County Road Commission (ICRC) for the Mary McGuire School Zone Signal/Signage Upgrades

Woerle moved Mielke supported to approve the Township Participation Contract with the Isabella County Road Commission (ICRC) for the Mary McGuire School Zone Signal/Signage Upgrades in the amount of \$19,669.94 and authorize the Township Manager to sign said contracts. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0.
Motion Carried.**

D. Discussion/Action: (Teall) Board approval of the FY 2020 Budget Amendment No. 1 for the General fund and the Building Zoning and Assessing section of the Fee Schedule

Hauck moved Rice supported to approve the FY2020 Budget Amendment No. 1 for the General Fund and the Building ,Zoning, and Assessing section of the Fee Schedule. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0.
Motion Carried.**

E. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Introduce and conduct a First Reading for proposed revisions to the Housing Licensing Code Ordinance, which regulates rental housing in the Township

Mielke moved Cody supported to Introduce and conduct a First Reading for proposed revisions to the Housing Licensing Code Ordinance, which regulates rental housing in the Township. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Gunning, Rice, Cody, Hauck, Lannen, Mielke, and Woerle. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

F. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Policy Governance 2.0 Global Executive Constraint

Discussion by the Board.

G. Discussion/Action: (Teall) Policy Governance 2.5 Financial Condition and Activities

Discussion by the Board.

H. Discussion/Action (Board of Trustees): Policy Governance 4.4 Monitoring Township Manager and Management Team Performance

Discussion by the Board.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open 10:05 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed 10:05 p.m.

MANAGER COMMENTS

- Township Hall will be closed for business, the doors will be locked on election day

- August 4, 2020 to allow for the voter's to safely exit out the front doors of the Township
- The Township is still working on holding the 2020 annual clean up day event
 - Mentioned the Cost of Service Study Presentation that will be held July 23, 2020 a 6:00 p.m.
 - Mentioned waiving tournament fees to go along with the agreements put into place regarding COVID-19

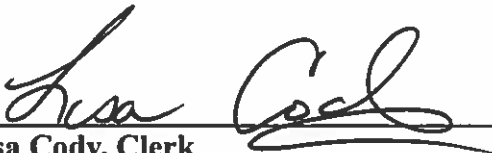
FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Gunning – Mentioned that his business has required mandatory mask wearing since May 1, 2020
Woerle – Shared his kudos to both the Governor and the City of Mt. Pleasant for their Resolution to support mandating wearing face coverings in public


ADJOURNMENT

Rice moved Woerle supported to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0.**
Motion carried.

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk



Ben Gunning, Supervisor

(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)