

2021 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees was held on November 23, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Union Township Hall.

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

Roll Call

Present:

Supervisor Mielke, Clerk Cody, Trustee Bills, Trustee Brown, Trustee Hauck, and Trustee Thering

Excused:

Treasurer Rice

Approval of Agenda

Thering moved Cody supported to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

Public Hearings

A. FY' 2022 Budget Recommendations

Open: 7:02 p.m.

No comments offered

Closed: 7:03 p.m.

Presentation

N/A

Public Comment

Open: 7:03 p.m.

No comments offered

Closed: 7:03 p.m.

Reports/Board Comments

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

B. **November Monthly Activity Report**

C. **Planning Commission, EDA, Sidewalks and ZBA updates by Community and Economic Development Director**

D. **Board Member Reports**

Hauck – Gave updates on the Road Commission.

Cody – Reported that Union Township was selected and submitted the State audit for the November election.

Brown – Reported that the Mt. Pleasant Mayor, Will Joseph will be resigning and moving to Paw Paw, MI.

Mielke – Gave updates on taxes in Treasurer Rice's absence.

Consent Agenda

- Communications

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- Minutes – November 10, 2021 – Regular Meeting
- Accounts Payable
- Payroll
- Meeting Pay
- Fire Reports

Hauck moved **Bills** supported to approve the consent agenda with an amendment to item B – Minutes - November 10, 2021, under Board Comments. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Resolution to approve the Public Act 152 (Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act) for the benefit year of 2022

Hauck moved **Brown** supported to approve the resolution opting out of the employer health care benefit plan contribution limits as allowed under State of Michigan Public Act 152 (Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act) for the benefits year of 2022. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Bills, Brown, Hauck, and Thering. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

B. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Approval of the Township Manager's Employment Agreement for Calendar Year 2022

Bills moved **Brown** supported approve the Township Manager's Employment Agreement for calendar year 2022. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Bills, Brown, Hauck, and Thering. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

C. Discussion/Action: (Teall) Board approval of FY' 21 Budget Amendment #4

Brown moved **Bills** supported to approve the FY 2021 Budget Amendment No. 4 for the General fund, Fire Fund, East DDA Fund, West DDA Fund, Sewer Fund and Water Fund with the approval of the East DDA Fund and The West DDA Fund budget conditional on the EDA Board's approval at their meeting on November 30, 2021. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Bills, Brown, Hauck, and Thering. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

D. Discussion/Action (Board of Trustees) Policy Governance 3.8 Board Committee Principles and Policy Governance 3.9 Committee Structure

Discussion by the Board

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open 7:55 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed: 7:55 p.m.

MANAGER COMMENTS

We are in the process of ordering the Board magnetic name tags

Union Township received its first ARPA Fund payment.

Union Township applied for two Fall 2% grants from the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe.

Unfortunately, we were not awarded those grants.

Reported on the hearing held at Isabella County Court regarding the Tolas case.

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Bills – Commented on the rise in Covid cases and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Thering – Thanked Township Manager Stuhldreher and Finance Director Teall's for their time and patience explaining the budget.

Hauck – Commented on general labor shortage.

Cody – Clarified statement made during Board Member Reports

Mielke – Expressed concern over the rising Covid-19 impacts, asked to keep Treasurer Rice in our thoughts and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

ADJOURNMENT


Brown moved Bills supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk



Bryan Mielke, Supervisor

(Recorded by Tera Green)