

2022 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 February 9, 2022, 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, Treasurer Rice, Trustee Brown, Trustee Hauck, and Trustee Thering

Excused:

Trustee Bills

Approval of Agenda

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

Public Hearings

N/A

Presentation

Frank Engler, Isabella County Commissioner, introduced himself as Union Township's new County Commissioner and gave the Board a brief background of his experiences.

Public Comment

Open: 7:10 p.m.

Scott Daigel, Union Township, representative for the Central Michigan Mountain Bike Association (CMMBA), introduced a proposal for funding towards the development of natural surface bike trails.

Ben Gunning, 2270 E. Broomfield Rd, spoke in regard to reappointments for the Planning Commission and the Second reading of the Extraction Ordinance.

Closed: 7:16 p.m.

Reports/Board Comments

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

B. Board Member Reports

Rice – Taxes are due February 14th.

Hauck – Gave updates on the January 27th Road Commission meeting.

Cody – Gave an update on the Election Commission Meeting held Thursday, February 3rd to submit a request to merge Precinct 1 and 3 for the May election.

Mielke – Gave an update on a meeting with the City Mayor to discuss priorities of the City and Township.

Consent Agenda

- Communications
- Minutes – January 12, 2022 – Regular Meeting
- Accounts Payable
- Payroll
- Meeting Pay
- Fire Reports

Rice moved Brown supported to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) Second Reading and consideration for adoption of the proposed Extraction Ordinance

Discussion by the Board and staff recommending to conduct a Second Reading of the Extraction Ordinance.

Hauck moved Brown supported to conduct a Second Reading for the Extraction Ordinance No. 22-02. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

B. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Poverty Exemption Guidelines Resolution

Thering moved Hauck supported to approve the Poverty Exemption Guidelines Resolution to be used by the Board of Review when considering property tax exemption requests. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

C. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Policy Governance 2.5 Financial Condition and Activities

Discussion by the Board

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open 7:45 p.m.

Ben Gunning, 2270 E. Broomfield Rd., requested that the Board announce a date when appointments to the Planning Commission will be made.

Frank Engler, 1798 West River Rd., gave upcoming dates for Isabella County's tire recycling and electronic waste pickup days; Hazardous waste pickup dates will be released when available.

Closed: 7:50 p.m.

MANAGER COMMENTS

- Thanked the Acting Township Manager for performing well while the Manager was on vacation.
- Mr. Nanney, Community & Economic Development Director, will give an Economic Development Activities presentation at the next Board meeting.
- The Community & Economic Development Director will give a presentation at an April Board meeting detailing Sidewalk and Pathways progress and priorities.

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FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Hauck – Would like to discuss the policing grant for the Sheriff’s department and a new park on the south end; encouraged the public to come to the Township meetings and apply for the Boards.

Cody – Agreed with Hauck’s comment on a discussion of the policing grant.

Rice – Get taxes in.

Thering – Supported Trustee Hauck’s comment on policing grant and park discussion

Mielke – Asked the Board to prepare for an informal discussion on the policing grant at the next Board meeting. Commented on reappointment schedules for the Planning Commission and asked the Board to read the Township Focus article on Township AARPA Funds.

ADJOURNMENT

Rice moved Cody supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: 0.**
Motion carried.

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk



Bryan Mielke, Supervisor

(Recorded by Tera Green)