

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 November 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:

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

Excused:

Treasurer Rice and Trustee Thering

Approval of Agenda

Hauck moved Bills supported to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Presentation

Public Hearings

- a. Winn Telephone Company dba Winn Telecom Metro Act Permit Application

Bills moved Brown supported to open the Winn Telephone Company dba Winn Telephone Metro Act Permit Application Public Hearing. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Open: 7:03 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed: 7:04 p.m.

Public Comment

Open: 7:05 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed: 7:05 p.m.

Closed Session

Reports/Board Comments

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

B. Board Member Reports

Bills – gave an update on the Isabella County Board of Commissioners meeting held on November 1st.

Cody – gave an update on the November 8th Election.

Hauck – gave update on the Isabella County Road Commission meeting held Oct 27th.

Consent Agenda

A. Communications

B. Minutes – October 12, 2022 – Regular Meeting

- C. Accounts Payable
- D. Payroll
- E. Meeting Pay
- F. Fire Reports
- G. Resolution to set a Public Hearing Date for the FY' 23 Budget Recommendations
- H. Approval of the Winn Telephone Company dba Winn Telecom Metro Act Permit
- I. Board Governance Policy 4.3.3 Amendments

Hauck moved Bills supported to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Bills, Brown, and Hauck. Nays: 0. Motion carried**

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Second Reading and Adoption of the Cross Connection Ordinance Update

Bills moved **Cody** supported to conduct a Second Reading for and adopt the proposed Cross Connection Ordinance Update Number 2022-06. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Bills, Brown, and Hauck. Nays: 0. Motion carried**

B. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Resolution to approve the Public Act 152 (Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act) for the benefit year of 2023.

Cody moved **Hauck** 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 benefit year of 2023. Requires two thirds vote of the governing body. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Bills, Brown, and Hauck. Nays: 0. Motion carried**

C. Discussion/Action (Stuhldreher) FY 2023 Budget Recommendation Discussion

Discussion by the Board

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open: 9:12 p.m.

No comments were offered

Closed: 9:13 p.m.

MANAGER COMMENTS

- LED Lights will be installed at the Township Hall the week of November 14th.
- The Vac Truck is anticipated to be delivered on November 16th.
- Collective Bargaining has begun
- There is a bill at the Legislator that is intended to adjust the Open Meetings Act to take advantage of remote access.
- Thanked Township Clerk, Deputy Clerk, poll workers and staff for their work during the election.

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Hauck – Thanked the Board, staff and public that voted to elect him to the Isabella County Road Commission. Inquired on the process of choosing his replacement. Suggested an increase in the

Clerks salary.

Cody – Thanked everyone that helped with the election.

Bills – Echoed the praise for the election workers, staff and Clerk Cody. Suggested looking at a pay increase for the Clerk. Expressed appreciation for the budget recommendations and budget process.

Brown – Expressed joy in the news of the Vac Truck anticipated arrival date. Inquired about signs for the Renaissance School. Commented on how well the election workers performed.

Mielke – Expressed his thoughts on how special it is to see both political parties working together during elections.


ADJOURNMENT

Brown moved Cody to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk



Bryan Mielke, Supervisor

(Recorded by Tera Green)

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