

2023 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 July 26, 2023, 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 Bills, Trustee Brown, Trustee Smith, and Trustee Thering

Approval of Agenda

Smith moved **Bills** supported to approve the agenda as presented. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Presentation

- a. Amanda Brake, Project Manager for Maslow's Mount Pleasant Tiny Homes Village, gave a presentation on The Mount Pleasant Tiny Homes Project.

Public Hearing

Public Comment

Open: 7:38 p.m.

No comments were offered

Closed: 7:38 p.m.

Reports/Board Comments

- A. **Current List of Boards and Commissions – Appointments as needed.**
- B. **July Monthly Activity Report**
- C. **Planning Commission, EDA, Sidewalks, and ZBA updates by Community and Economic Development Director**
- D. **Correspondence from the Morey Foundation**
- E. **Board Member Reports**

Bills – gave an update on the July 18th Isabella County Board of Commission Work Session Meeting and the July 19th Isabella County MTA meeting.

Consent Agenda

- A. Communications
- B. Minutes – July 12, 2023 – Regular Meeting
- C. Accounts Payable
- D. Payroll
- E. Meeting Pay
- F. Fire Reports

Rice moved Brown supported to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Vote: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.**
Motion carried.

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Teall) FY'23 Budget Amendment #3

Smith moved Brown supported to approve the FY 2023 Budget Amendment No. 3 for the General fund, East DDA Fund, West DDA Fund, Tribal 2% Fund, American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund, Sewer Fund and Water Fund. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Rice, Bills, Brown, Smith, and Thering. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

B. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development's (MDARD) Rural Readiness Grant Program Resolution

Bills moved Brown supported to adopt a resolution of support for the Township's application for a Rural Readiness Program Grant from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Rice, Bills, Brown, Smith, and Thering. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

C. Discussion/Action: (Board of Trustees) Adoption of Revised Governance Policy Section I: Ends

Bills moved Smith supported to adopt the revised Governance Policy Section I: Ends including the 1.5 replacement sent by Manager Stuhldreher dated July 25, 2023. **Vote: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

D. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Policy Governance 2.0 Executive Constraints

Discussion by the Board

E. Discussion/Action: (Teall) Policy Governance 2.5 Financial Conditions and Activities

Discussion by the Board

F. Discussion/Action: (Board of Trustees) Policy Governance 4.4 Township Management Team Performance

Discussion by the Board

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open: 8:59 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed: 9:00 p.m.

MANAGER COMMENTS

- Informed the Board of the ribbon cutting for the Outdoor Fitness Court on September 7th at 10 a.m.
- Commented on The Mount Pleasant Tiny Homes Project targeted location behind Hunter's Ale House in Union Township.

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Rice – Pay your taxes. There is an online payment option available.

Smith – Appreciated the presentation.

Bills – Loved the presentation and excited about the Tiny Homes Project

Brown – Happy Birthday Trustee Bills

Mielke – Commented on the tax for the curbside recycling and free composting units for residents in Kansas City.

ADJOURNMENT

Rice moved Smith supported to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk

Bryan Mielke, Supervisor

(Recorded by Tera Green)