

2025 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 January 22, 2025, 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 Rogers, Trustee Brown, Trustee Lannen, Trustee Ley, and Trustee Thering

Approval of Agenda

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

Presentation

- a. Brian Smith, new Isabella County Controller, introduced himself and spoke on meetings with the various townships and his new role with the County.
- b. Kim Smith, Public Services Department Director, gave a presentation on the Department of Public Services

Public Hearing

Public Comment

Open: 7:50 p.m.

No comments were offered.

Closed: 7:50 p.m.

Reports/Board Comments

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

Lannen moved Ley supported to appoint Treasurer Rogers as the board liaison to the Election Commission for the length of her term. Vote: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Rogers moved Ley supported to appoint Trustee Brown as the board liaison to the Election Commission for the length of his term. Vote: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

B. January Monthly Activity Report

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

D. Board Member Reports

Lannen gave an update on the MTA quarterly meeting held on January 15th.

Ley gave an update on the Intergovernmental Liaison meeting held on January 22nd.

Rogers gave an update on the MTA New Board Member training held at the Mt Pleasant Comfort Inn.

Thering gave an update on the Planning Commission meeting held on January 21st.

Consent Agenda

- A. Communications
- B. Minutes -- January 8, 2025 – Regular Meeting
- C. Accounts Payable

- D. Payroll
- E. Meeting Pay
- F. Fire Reports

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

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) Policy Governance 2.1 Treatment of Consumers

Discussion by the Board

B. Discussion/Action: (Teall) Policy Governance 2.5 Financial Conditions

Discussion by the Board

C. Discussion/Action: (Board of Trustees Policy Governance 3.1 Governing Style

Discussion by the Board

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open: 8:58 p.m.

Brian Smith, 8422 Sandstone Dr., commented on the County Opioid Funding. He mentioned that they are in the process of forming a committee that will decide how the funds will be allocated. The committee will consult with the County Commissioners on how to distribute the funds. Additionally, it was noted that the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) will not be open on Saturdays beginning January 31st through April 1st.

Closed: 9:00 p.m.

MANAGER COMMENTS

- I appreciate the opportunity to serve as acting manager this week.

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Thering – asked for a copy of the Public Service presentation and an updated Policy Governance manual.

Lannen – enjoyed the department presentations


Ley – appreciates the presentation and looks forward to the tour of the Public Service facilities.

Mielke – commented on the upcoming Annual Isabella County Road Commission meeting and Board of Trustee Special Meeting to discuss Policy Governance Education at Jameson Hall. Mentioned that the City Mayor is interested in learning more about the Policy Governance model.

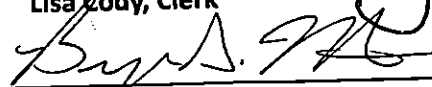
ADJOURNMENT

Cody moved **Brown** supported to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk



Bryan Mielke, Supervisor

(Recorded by Tera Green)