

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR

REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 12, 2024

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members present: Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, and Walsh

Members absent: None

Also present: R. Sheppard, Attorney

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States was recited by all.

Public input was held.

Motion carried to adopt the agenda and consent agenda - with the addition of the Assistant Assessor Job description moved up to the agenda from the consent agenda.

Motion carried to approve the payment of the bills \$ 155,573.59.

Motion carried to add back to the agenda the State Street parking lot license agreement when the school has presented the proper State approvals for operation to the board for review.

Motion carried to approve Resolution R-2024-009 establishing a special assessment district for streetlights with the public hearing for Creekwood Estates condominiums scheduled for the Sept.12th board meeting.

Motion carried to approve the Personnel Committee recommendation for hiring T. Parker as Administrative Secretary and check on indexing the \$15/hr. starting rate, as was done for the firefighters, along with adding for any college degrees per township policy.

Motion carried to move forward with the Wilder Road Sewer Extension Project. The township will receive as public township utility the extended sanitary sewer from its existing termination, near the Armory, on Wilder Road to the point of completion of construction West of I-75 and on 3 Mile Road. Paid for with the grant money from Bay Future Inc. from the State of Michigan. Monitor Township will also do all that is necessary to implement the intent of this motion.

Motion carried to accept the Waste Management Trash bid for a 5-year contract and authorize signing of it.

Motion carried to have the Steih Park improvements added to the General Insurance policy and get an estimate from the Fire Dept. of replacement cost on all vehicles and to have the replacement policy at 75% coverage of that amount added to our policy after the board reviews those numbers.

Motion carried to forgive the AccuMed billing for J. Sanders for \$251.39 since the accident was not his fault.

Motion carried to credit the 47 units (sewer only) which equals \$111.86 and bill for 20 unit minimum which equals \$47.60 for 5441 Homestead Lane per customer request as calculated by DWS.

Motion failed to deny the Steih park application as presented with a \$150 reservation fee.

Motion carried to approve the Steih park application with a \$50 reservation fee refundable if no damages to the park.

Motion carried to allow the Cobblestone developer to address the board on the Butterleaf development.

Motion carried to accept the Personnel Committee recommendation that the Fire Chief delay return to work until he is “unrestricted”.

Motion carried to approve the Personnel Committee recommendation that Fire Chief job description be changed back to - Reports to Township Supervisor / Township Board and the Duties paragraph be updated as presented.

Motion carried to approve the hall request for the Monitor Township Firefighters Association on 9.7.2024 for the 75th anniversary of the Fire Dept.

Motion carried to approve the hall request for the MIDNR on 10.6.2024 and the use of the Fire Dept classroom.

Motion carried to approve the parking lot or if inclement weather the use of the hall as requested by the Junior Brett Foundation for Trunk or Treat on 10.20.2024.

Motion carried to approve the request for use of the hall by the Fraternal Order of Police 10.27.2024.

Motion carried to approve the Job Description with the additional duties for the Assistant Assessor.

Supervisor reported the Steih Park rededication ceremony was a huge success. MI Sugar had a well-attended ribbon cutting ceremony for the new molasses plant. The Supervisor put out an invite for the community to support a Christmas event and many people have already shown interest and want to support it.

Approve carried to adjourn at 7:18 p.m.

Linda Ferguson, Clerk - MIPMC