

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 8, 2022

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Members absent: Walsh

Also present: R. Sheppard, Township Attorney

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

Public input opened at 7:01 p.m. A 3-minute time limit was announced prior to public input and it was noted that “public comment” was newly added to the agenda for input at the end of the meeting. After someone used their 3-minutes they wanted to yield the 3 minutes from another. Per the township attorney, if the board should make a motion to allow time to be yielded than with a passing motion time could be extended, no one made the motion. 6 people spoke. Public input was closed at 7:19 p.m.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Brandt to adopt the agenda with the addition of hall roof repairs, American Tower application approval, post card sent to residents, new water meters, and easement request from F. Janca.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Ferguson to adopt the consent agenda with the addition of Bay Area Water Treatment 8.4 agenda & 7.7 minutes and the Planning Commission 8.9 agenda & 7.5 draft minutes. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Pike seconded by Ferguson to approve the minutes of regular meeting on 7.11.2022.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Ferguson seconded by McCulloch to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 156,179.49 from General Fund.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Spencer
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by Arnold seconded by Brandt table the Resolution R-2022-004 D.W.S. Sewer rate increase and have D.W.S. recalculate the schedule to pay more with usage fees and less by meter size. To request this be done as soon as possible so it can be put on the next board meeting.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Spencer, Ferguson
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

S. MacKenzie applied for Planning Commission and was contacted by two board members prior to the meeting and

told not to come to the meeting since the board had already decided not to approve his application. He did not come to the meeting. No motion was made.

Motion by Ferguson to keep the summer office hours. No second was made.

Motion by Brandt seconded by McCulloch to proceed with the Building Better local roads program for 2023 by submitting the township asphalt paving and chip seal projects to be completed in 2023 by 10.31.2022 and a three-year plan by 5.3.2023 to the Bay Co. Road Commission. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Arnold to table and direct the Attorney to recommend a township wide policy for Social Media as presented in S.O.P. #34 from the Fire Chief.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by Ferguson seconded by McCulloch to refund the Zoning Compliance permit PZC22 that was issued in error.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Brandt, McCulloch, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Ferguson to grant the request for Hall use for a Pancake Breakfast 10.23.1022 to the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #103.

Roll call vote:

Yes: McCulloch, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold

No: Brandt

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Ferguson to grant the request for Hall use for the Pancake Breakfast 3.25 & 26.2023 by the Monitor Firefighters Association.

Yes: Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by McCulloch seconded Ferguson to accept the resignation of on-call Firefighter, Ethan Meylan. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Brandt seconded by McCulloch to accept the American Tower fall zone evaluation report dated 7.26.2022 and approve the application.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Spencer
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Discussion on zoning a selected area, spot zoning, or provision centers in reference to the request by Galenas, a retail business that made an inquiry for the area near Wilder Rd & I-75.

Discussion on having the Bay Co. Sheriff Dept. show presence at our local schools per the letter from Trinity Lutheran School.

Motion by Arnold seconded by Brandt to have the Supervisor request ordinances from the surrounding townships regarding their O.R.V. Ordinances.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Spencer, Ferguson
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Arnold to Sign up for a .gov Domain for the township.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike
No: None

Absent: Walsh

Motion carried.

Motion by Arnold seconded by Brandt to request that the report that Spicer is currently working on for the roof evaluation be completed by the next board meeting so a decision can be made on doing repairs or replacing the roof.

Motion unanimously carried.

Discussion on the post card that was sent to residents to inform them of the proposed changes to Ordinance 67, inviting them to attend the Planning Commission meeting on 8.9.2022. A joint meeting of the township board and the planning commission will be scheduled after the planning commission completes their changes.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Arnold to have the Supervisor request that D.W.S come to the next board meeting to discuss the new water meters.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Pike seconded by Brandt to authorize the Supervisor to sign the conveyance of the drainage easement of former units 2,3 & 4 of the Market Place Corporate Center Condominiums (Fabiano) back to Michigan Land since the parcel has been combined and the easements are no longer necessary.

Public comment opened at 9:47 - 3 people spoke. Public comment closed at 9:50.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Ferguson to adjourn at 9:51 p.m.

Motion unanimously carried.