

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING

6524 N. SEYMOUR ROAD
FLUSHING, MICHIGAN 48433
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

DATE: APRIL 14, 2022

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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ADMINISTRATION:

SUPERVISOR: Frederick R. Thorsby
CLERK: Wendy D. Meinburg
TREASURER: Terry A. Peck

TRUSTEES:

William Bain
Linda Minarik
William L. Westenbarger
Sharilynn K. Willette

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY:

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- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:00 P.M. by **SUPERVISOR THORSBY** with Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Thorsby, Meinburg, Peck, Bain, Minarik and Willette. Attorney Matt McKone was also present.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Westenbarger

OTHER INDIVIDUALS PRESENT: Twenty (20)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR APRIL 14, 2022

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to approve the agenda for April 14, 2022 as presented.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 10, 2022

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Trustee Bain to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2022 Board Meeting as presented.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve the payment of bills as presented.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Meinburg, Peck, Bain, Minarik, Willette and Thorsby

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

At this time, Supervisor Thorsby introduced Jenifer Almassy, a former Flushing township Board of Trustee, who announced her candidacy for State Representative in the new 69th House District.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:04 P.M.

One individual gave comment.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:07 P.M.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-02 AN ORDINANCE TO CODIFY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING ZONING AND POLICE POWER ORDINANCES AND AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP TO ADJUST FEES.

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Treasurer Peck to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-02 AN ORDINANCE TO CODIFY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING ZONING AND POLICE POWER ORDINANCES AND AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP TO ADJUST FEES.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Peck, Bain, Minarik, Willette, Thorsby and Meinburg

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Presentation from Rose Pesticide for mosquito abatement for the township and possible action.

Cliff Huff, a representative with Rose Pest Solutions was in attendance and gave a brief overview of the mosquito abatement services they offer.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve a pilot program for mosquito control, amending budget to allocate \$176, 524 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to cover the cost. Language will be approved to create a special assessment to be placed on the November ballot for township residents to vote on whether they would like to have the program continued.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Minarik, Willette, Thorsby, Meinburg and Peck

NAYS: Bain

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. Presentation from Midwest Public Safety regarding Getac Video Solutions body and car cameras for the Flushing Township Police Department and possible action.

Chief Mark Bolin introduced Kirk Newman, a representative from Midwest Public Safety. Mr. Newman shared about the Getac body and car camera products, highlighting the features and gave an overview of how the technology can be a useful tool for the police officers.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Trustee Bain to purchase cameras for the Flushing Township Police Department from Midwest Public Safety as quoted.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Willette, Thorsby, Meinburg, Peck, Bain and Minarik

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

The purchase of cameras for the police department will be funded by ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds, Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) insurance company and other grant monies.

4. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-01 AN ORDINANCE TO RATIFY THE PRIOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION; TO RATIFY ALL PRIOR ACTIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION; TO CONFIRM THE CONTINUING EXISTENCE AND AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION; AND, TO CONFIRM THE RULES AND PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-01 AN ORDINANCE TO RATIFY THE PRIOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION; TO RATIFY ALL PRIOR ACTIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION; TO CONFIRM THE CONTINUING EXISTENCE AND AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING

COMMISSION; AND, TO CONFIRM THE RULES AND PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Minarik, Willette, Thorsby, Meinburg, Peck and Bain

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. Motion to approve the following Genesee County Road Commission projects

- Perma-Zyme Application Carpenter Rd., - Duffield to M-13 (\$6000)
- Paving Overlay Deland Rd.– Carpenter Rd. N to Carpenter Rd. S (\$22,252.29)
- Spot Repairs Carpenter Rd. - Deland Rd. to McKinley Rd. (\$5997)
- Paving Overlay Carpenter Rd. – McKinley Rd. to Deland Rd. (\$33,666.18)
- Paving Overlay Deland Rd. – Carpenter Rd. to Coldwater Rd. (\$139,761.45)
- Spot Repairs Deland Rd. – Carpenter Rd. to Coldwater Rd. (\$6652)

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to approve the proposed list of Genesee County Road Commission’s road improvement projects.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Thorsby, Meinburg, Peck, Bain, Minarik and Willette.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Thorsby reported that Grand Blanc Township has offered \$50,000 from their 50/50 road funds to Flushing Township towards these projects, as they are unable to use all their funding this year. Flushing Township will pay this amount back to Grand Blanc Township next year.

6. Motion to approve MERS Defined Contribution Plan Adoption Agreement.

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve MERS Defined Contribution Plan Adoption Agreement.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Meinburg, Peck, Bain, Minarik, Willette and Thorsby

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. Motion to approve Charter Township of Flushing Assessing Department Published Policy.

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Treasurer Peck to approve the Charter Township of Flushing Assessing Department Published Policy.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

8. Motion to approve Resolution 22-04 A RESOLUTION FOR POVERTY EXEMPTION.

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Treasurer Peck to approve Resolution 22-04 A RESOLUTION FOR POVERTY EXEMPTION.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Peck, Bain, Minarik, Willette, Thorsby and Meinburg

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

9. Motion to approve proposal from MuniWeb.

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve the proposal from MuniWeb as quoted.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bain, Minarik, Willette, Thorsby, Meinburg and Peck

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VI. REPORTS:

1. Supervisor's Report – Supervisor
Monthly Building Report
Monthly Code Enforcement Report
Fire Department Report

Supervisor Thorsby reported that the scrap tire grant project has been approved. The date has been changed from Thursday, June 2, 2022 to Saturday, June 4, 2022 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. He also reported that current Code Enforcement Officer Dean Gross is resigning at the end of the month and Christopher Czyzio has been hired to take over the duties of Code Enforcement Officer for Flushing Township.

2. Clerk's Report – Clerk

Clerk Meinburg thanked the Flushing Township Police Department for providing active shooter training for the township staff. She also reported there is no May election for Flushing Township.

3. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer
Water Report
March Financial Report

Treasurer Peck gave a water report and a financial report. He also reported the county water department is in the process of developing a new advisory board for technical information and infrastructure. He will update as information becomes available. Treasurer Peck gave a reminder that the annual training in Lansing was taking place the week of 4/25/22 and encouraged attendance.

4. Flushing Township Police Department – Chief Bolin

Chief Bolin thanked the Board on behalf of the officers and himself for their continued support of the Flushing Township Police Department through the approval of purchasing body and car cameras for the department. Chief Bolin recognized Officer Justin Greninger for the potentially lifesaving measure taken by the administration of Narcan. He also reported the department is in the process of disposing of firearms that have been confiscated. A list of forfeited firearms is currently on website. Unclaimed firearms will be destroyed through proper means after 30 days. A resolution will be drafted and likely presented to the Board at the June 9, 2022 board meeting.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 8:50 P.M.

Four comments were made pertaining to solar power.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 9:06 P.M.

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS:

Trustee Bain provided handouts to the Board members of Genesee County Road Commission projects for 2022.

Trustee Willette reported the Flushing Area Senior Center is continuing to thrive with new programs and improvements including an upcoming booster vaccine event, a new door and a potential mural for the side of the building that faces the new parking lot.

IX. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 12, 2022

X. ADJOURNMENT

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 P.M.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

WENDY D. MEINBURG, Clerk

FREDERICK R. THORSBY, Supervisor

APPROVED DATE _____

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mandy Hemingway, Deputy Clerk
4/14/2022