

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR
SPECIAL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 23, 2022

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

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

Members absent: None

Also present: R. Sheppard, Township Attorney

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

Public input opened at 2:01 p.m. 3 people spoke. Public input was closed 2:04 p.m.

The township attorney reiterated that the three-minute rule may be extended by approval of a board motion.

Motion by Ferguson seconded by Walsh to adopt the agenda with the addition of:

Clarification that the Steih park agreement is actually a resolution
and adding a request to post for assistant assessor.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Ferguson to adopt the consent agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Ferguson to approve the minutes of 8.8.2022 with addition.

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Scherzer discussed the Steih park project and why the EZ launch kayak ramp was not a good fit. L. Greene, Kawkawlin River Water Association, explained it takes 4-6 hours and many volunteers to pull the EZ launch ramp located near the Castaways. He agreed it doesn't fit the small size of Steih park.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Walsh to not approve an EZ launch for Steih park.

Roll call vote:

Yes: McCulloch, Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Ferguson seconded by McCulloch to approve Resolution R-2022-013 Kawkawlin River Access Improvements at Steih Park - DNR Trust Fund Authorization.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Walsh, Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch

No: None

Motion carried.

B. Bolhen, Dept. Water and Sewer, addressed the need for new water meters throughout the county. If all 14 townships can purchase these together, economies of scale should benefit all, the township owns the meters. Water loss billing of 10-15% is currently happening and continued loss of billing revenue is expected as these meters get older. Some are as old as 25 years. If they do the meter replacement now with Hydro-Corp, the company that is currently doing the cross-connection for the county, the cost is only \$30 as opposed to \$100 after Hydro-

Corp is done and Hydro-Corp will be here for the next 3-4 years. DWS doesn't have the man power to do these installations. Currently the township pays for each meter that is replaced and is billed for the meter readers. Our meters are not supported by the current technology. The township has 2,208 meters that need replaced. DWS will continue to contact other townships and come back in October.

K. Christian and T. Jacobs, from DWS, presented the board with a new calculation of payment schedule and cash flow assumptions for the Sewer debt created from the SRF project. The SRF project repaired the worst sewer lines and upgraded the lift stations. The first invoice has been received for this project even though it is not yet complete. They explained why a fixed charge based on meter size is a more predicable way to get a steady cash flow. The board must make a decision by the September board meeting to get this put on the 4th quarter billing.

Opened Public hearing at 3:21 on the formation of I.D.D. Industrial Development District on the industrially zoned property located East of Mackinaw and generally South of US-10.

A resident spoke that he was not notified.

Closed public hearing at 3:24.

R. Sheppard explained this is not a rezoning it is an I.D.D. that allows property owners to apply for tax abatements.

S. Pike excused herself from the meeting at 3:25.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Walsh to adopt the Resolution R-2022-011 to establish an Industrial Development District on the industrially zoned property described above.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Spencer, Ferguson, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Walsh

No: None

Absent: Pike

Motion carried.

Supervisor report included the security needed for the office. S. Pike has requested an exit door from her office be installed and a key pad for lobby door entry into the main office.

Chief Kramer gave a recap of the visit the office had last Wednesday afternoon. Three camera men entered and filmed in the lobby, one in the fire station, and also into the windows of the office workers. They would not identify themselves so 911 was called. There have been 220 mass shootings already this year and precaution was taken for the safety of the staff. The office was taken off guard and security measures are now being reviewed and enforced.

S. Pike returned at 3:50.

S. Pike wanted approval to have her exit door installed now with only the one estimate. The board wants to wait for the Serenus Johnson and Spicer office building report to come back.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Arnold to have the Supervisor schedule a Joint meeting date with the Attorney, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Township Board on the amendments from the Planning Commission changes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Arnold seconded by Walsh to post for the Assistant Assessor job.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, Walsh, Spencer

No: None

Motion carried.

T. Spencer did answer the public as to what had happened at the township last week.

A resident entered the Treasurer's office while filming on Tuesday. On Wednesday afternoon a 3-man filming crew showed up.

Public Comment was opened at 4:10. 4 people spoke. Public Comment was closed at 4:17.

Motion by Walsh seconded by McCulloch to adjourn at 4:17.

Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Ferguson, Clerk