

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MONITOR  
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
October 16, 2023

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

Members present: Spencer, Ferguson, Pike, Arnold, Brandt, McCulloch, 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 by Walsh seconded Pike to adopt the agenda with the addition to the bills list and the consent agenda without the Christmas flyer.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Pike seconded by McCulloch to approve the payment of the bills \$199,436.16.

Roll call vote:

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

No: Brandt

Motion carried.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Ferguson to approve the Strategic quote for a drop box camera for \$1,560.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Walsh seconded by McCulloch to have second reading of Ordinance 67-I AND ADOPTION OF 67-I.

Roll call vote:

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

No: Brandt

Motion carried.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Pike to approve Resolution R-2023-009 for establishing forgiveness of excessive sewer and water charges.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

R. Sheppard explained the Consumers has been double billing for streetlights for Creekwood subdivision so the township will be receiving a rebate for the past four years of payments. No action is needed at this time on the Creekwood streetlight addition.

Motion by Pike seconded by McCulloch to approve Resolution R-2023-008 for the request from E. Rosenbrock to release a 5-acre parcel from the Leona Eiseman Farmland Development agreement PA116.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Pike seconded by Arnold to approve the application for M.R. & G.C. Mammel for PA116 of 39.25 acres.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Arnold seconded by Pike to have the proposed Assessing Dept. policy changed into a resolution that will cover the entire office for public inspection and copying procedures.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

SK Siltron sanitary sewer connection was tabled.

Motion by Pike seconded McCulloch to approve the request for the hall on 12.15.2023 for the Region VII Area Agency on Aging.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Plyform REU reduction request was tabled until the Engineer can review it.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Arnold to approve Resolution R-2023-007 agreement for Early voting with County Clerk to operate a joint site giving the Clerk the authority to sign on behalf of the jurisdiction.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Brandt seconded by Walsh to approve the request for refund of permit #PE23-0106 less 25% admin fee to Foundation System of MI as the work was canceled.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Spencer will ask the Board of County Road Commission for proof that they will take over the Straits drive, Alliance drive and Valley Center drive at Tech. Park if the township has the 2024

estimated work done to mill 2" HMA and repave with 2" HMA as proposed on 9.18.2023 by Cory Wale, P.E.

Motion by McCulloch seconded by Arnold to approve the mailing of a postcard with a scan code to the residents of the township for feedback for the Master plan survey.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Lobby area asbestos removal was tabled until it can be verified that asbestos is indeed there. Having the asbestos in the tunnels removed was also tabled.

Motion by Ferguson seconded by McCulloch to approve the green version of the logo for painting on the wall in the hall.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

The board tabled the quote for replacement of the overhead door side jamb on the pole barn.

Motion by Pike seconded by McCulloch to approve the resignation of P. Erickson from the on-call firefighter position on 9.15.2023 with much appreciation and gratitude for his service.

Roll call vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

V. Begick, Co Commissioner, shared that the County is receiving bids for the animal shelter, the community pool is being looked at, opioid money is going to be dispersed, the commissioners are still working on the budget.

Arnold gave the Fire Dept. report. The open house went well with over 100 people in attendance. The radio project is being taken care of, just waiting for radios to come in. Hemlock semi-conductor gave a \$1,500 grant for training to the Fire dept.

The Supervisor reported that he had a table at the Fire Dept open house for the master plan. The park new mulch is complete as is the landscape around the new digital sign. The board room renovation may be started next month. Steih park work is starting in December. A special meeting will need to be held on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. for the IDD application of Future Tech. A pre-planning commission meeting was held for a new development by Uno's. Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> is Trunk or Treat at the township from 2-4 p.m. November 5<sup>th</sup> is the pancake breakfast of the Fraternal Order of Police. September 27<sup>th</sup> is a meeting with T. Beson, K. Rivet, D. Kildee on expanding the sanitary sewer down Wilder Road and get money from the State to expand past I-75. Call the representatives at the State on the action alert regarding taking local authority away on zoning.

Motion by Walsh seconded by McCulloch to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. Motion unanimously carried.  
Linda Ferguson, Clerk