



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MADISON

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Ralph Benschoter
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Madison Township Board Meeting Held in Person and Electronically (Zoom) Minutes of October 8, 2024

7:00 p.m. Board Meeting called to order, with a silent prayer, and pledge to the flag said by all.

ROLL CALL:

Present in person: Griewahn, Gregg, Moden, Benschoter, Carpenter and Bales. Absent Rodgers.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MTG MINUTES 9/10/24:

Motion by Bales, supported by Carpenter to dispense reading and approve the monthly Board meeting minutes as written for 9/10/2024. Motion was carried 6-0.

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL BOARD MTG MINUTES 10/2/24:

Motion by Bales, supported by Carpenter to dispense reading and approve the Special Board meeting minutes as written for 10/2/2024. Motion was carried 6-0.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Moden announced that she had received a letter from Region II and an Invoice for membership in 2025, she asked if there was interest in joining them since we had not in the past year and that we had not had any need to since we had joined Michigan Municipal League. Consensus discussion was not to join in 2025.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS:

Student from Sand Creek High School government class to observe.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

3-MINUTE DEPT. HEAD UPDATES:

Fire: Chief Wilson stated that the township website system was down, all part of moving our site to Civic Plus. He hopes to have it up and running by January 2025. The fire department is looking at a free service regarding smoke detectors.



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Police: Chief Gentner stated that he had signed up with Police I Academy for training. Adrian Sign has our new Police truck for marking. A training was held at Ogden Church with Madison Fire and with Sand Creek Schools for active shooter.

Water/Sewer: Watterson stated that underground work is going on with the water and sewer systems. Hydrant flushing continues. Neptune software training will be happening the week of Oct 16. EGLE is finally asking questions about the well permit, permit is not issued yet.

Inspection: Building Official, Rincon has been very busy with the following projects:

Maurice Spears Campus Expansion

Cadmus Rd – Two new homes

Lesso – Old Lilly Ann Cabinets – 2 million renovations – possibly 50 employees

Green Acres subdivision purchased by DJW Development

Adrian Twp.:

1 – 8-unit apartment by DJW Corporate Dr.

1 – 21-unit apartment by DJW Corporate Dr.

Solor farm still not in compliance, no final inspection approved.

He interviewed a backup plumbing inspector, Mr. Howe, from Tipton to cover for Mr. Massengale who is having an upcoming surgery.

Legal: The township's appeal of the Walmart tax tribunal decision was turned down. Nov. 4 is the deadline for us to further appeal if we choose. Burke stated he felt that it would not be in our best interest to continue to appeal.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Rodgers, supported by Benschoter to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Fire and Police Committee Meeting Minutes 10/7/2024:

Minutes of the Fire/Police committee meeting was read by Benschoter, motion to approve by Benschoter, supported by Gregg. Motion carried 6-0.

Finance/Budget Committee Meeting Minutes 9/23/24, 10/1/24 and 10/4/24

Minutes of the Finance/Budget Committee Meeting minutes were read and motion to approve by Gregg and seconded by Carpenter. Motion carried 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None



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NEW BUSINESS:

Reallocation of ARPA funds:

Stryker Equipment	403-336-971-000	Capital Outlay	\$115,980.	BA Needed
Municipal Emergency Services	403-336-971-000	Turnout Gear	\$20,610.	
Brondes Ford	GF	2016 F-450 Repairs	\$7,774.81	
Tetra Tech	Sewer/Water	Water Sewer Rates	\$2,383.76	

Treasurer Gregg explained that we had to allocate the ARPA funds for use before the end of 2024. Gregg made a motion to approve the above allocations as stated, supported by Moden. Roll Call Vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Budget Amendments:

Treasurer Gregg presented the board with the following 2024 budget amendments for approval:

101-336-931-000	\$5000	Vehicle Maint & Repair
101-651-931-000	\$12,000	Vehicle Maint & Repair

Motion by Gregg, supported by Griewahn to approve the above amendments to the 2024 Budget. Motion carried 6-0

Resolution for the Partial Termination of PA 116 on Gary Witt Property on Graham Hwy.

Gary Witt, through his attorney has requested that the board approve the resolution attached required by the State of Michigan for him to request a partial termination of his PA 116 with the State of Michigan in order for him to divide his property.

Motion by Moden to accept the resolution as presented, supported by Griewahn. Motion carried 6-0.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS ADDED TO NEW BUSINESS: Motion to add two additional items to the agenda of new business by Griewahn Supported by Carpenter. Motion carried 6-0.

Walmart Appeal:

After discussion with Castleberry, a motion by Bales, supported by Gregg that the board not pursue any further appeals in the tax tribunal with Walmart. Motion carried 6-0.

Backup Plumbing Inspector:



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Motion by Griewahn, supported by Carpenter to approve Dave Rincon to offer Mark Howe the position of backup plumbing inspector. Motion carried 6-0

ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS:

Moden: Civic Plus Codification proofs have to finished and sent back to Civic Plus by Oct. 18. Senator Joe Bellino was here at the township hall and held a meeting with residents from his jurisdiction on Thurs of last week.

Carpenter: Saturday, November 9, will be Yard Waste Day and will run from 8:00 am to Noon at Slusarski's materials lot as in the past. Early voting at the County Human Services bldg. will start on Oct. 26.

Bales: Thanked the Fire and Police for getting the grants for Turnout Gear and other needs. Stated that when we get the bill for road work done by the County Road Commission there is no competitive bidding involved, they just come up with a number for the work and send us a bill.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Resident, Bill Roberts asked questions about the Road Commission specifications.

Resident, Michelle Johnson stated that she and her husband experienced a road rage incident in front of their home and some issues with local teens out after dark that she feels less safe in Madison Twp. This road rage incident took place on Sept 14, 2024 on Carleton Rd.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS: Motion by Benschoter, seconded by Carpenter, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-Yes; 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Typed and Submitted by:

Janet Moden
Township Clerk