

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MADISON

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TRUSTEES

Madison Township Board Meeting Held in Person and Electronically (Zoom) Minutes of August 13, 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, Rodgers, Benschoter, Carpenter, and Bales.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MTG MINUTES 7/9/24:

Motion by Bales, supported by Rodgers to dispense reading and approve the monthly Board meeting minutes as written for 7/9/2024. Motion was carried 7-0.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Moden gave a synopsis of how the August 6, 2024, State Primary election went.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS: Maegan Beveridge, from Stryker, Emergency Care equipment supplier was present to answer questions for the board regarding Fire Dept. request for equipment purchases later in the meeting.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

3-MINUTE DEPT. HEAD UPDATES:

Fire: Chief Wilson stated that the department will be running an EMT class for Adrian College from August through December. He explained that the board will need to attend a training in the near future from FEMA in order to be eligible for any disaster relief in the future, should one happen.

Police: Chief Gentner stated that new police officer Lauren Solis has started in the Police Academy already and will be done in December 2024. There is planned training with Police and Fire on Active Shooter in the county.



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Water/Sewer: Watterson stated that the Water/Sewer rate study is in process. He is working on getting GIF mapping of the township uploaded. The water project is being stalled by EGLE not getting us our permits issued in a timely manner, so that the bonds can be sold. Results from the smoke testing should be coming soon.

Inspection: Building Official, Rincon stated in Adrian Twp there is a planned 8-unit apartment building to be constructed by DJW construction across from Brookdale. These three-story apartments will require and fire hydrant to be installed. The solar farm is operating on a temporary final permit due to outstanding issues with the trees at the site. In Madison Twp DJW Construction is wanting to build single family homes in the Cadmus Balwin area or condos, waiting on their Master Plan to come in. China Buffet is looking to reopen in the old Bill Knapp portion of the building on S. Main St. Walmart is looking to remove their gas station and then replace it with a new one. An update on Maurice Spear construction currently stands at 18-million-dollar renovation. Bath and Body has opened now. There was a total of \$9300 in permits this month.

Legal: Nothing on Walmart. Burke spoke to the idea of the board adopting the International Property Maintenance code book, instead of relying on just our ordinances to govern the rules of maintaining personal property within the township.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Bales, supported by Benschoter to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes, Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Election Committee Meeting Minutes for 7/5/2024:

Minutes of the election committee meeting were read by Moden, motion to approve by Moden, supported by Carpenter. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion to approve the submitted list of election workers as submitted by the Election Committee for the August 6, 2024, State Primary by Moden, supported by Benschoter. Motion carried 7-0.

Tech Committee Meeting Minutes for 7/8/2024:

Minutes of the Technology Committee Meeting minutes were read and motion to approve by Griewahn and seconded by Bales. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Griewahn, seconded by Gregg to approve the recommendation of the Tech Committee to make Nic Wilson the IT Director for the township, it is in name only, there are no pay changes to current salary. This is to make sure that when he operates in this capacity, he does not identify himself as the Fire Chief. Motion carried 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:



Resolution to Adopt Road and Bridge Millage Ballot Language:

A motion by Griewahn, supported by Gregg to accept the resolution that indicates the language to be added to the State General Election on November 5, 2024, and to be sent by the Township Clerk to the Lenawee County Clerk for publication. Contents of the resolution were read aloud by the Supervisor before the vote was taken. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Benschoter, Yes, Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stryker Equipment Update/Upgrade: Chief Wilson presented the board with a power point presentation regarding the age and number of our emergency EMS equipment, which is becoming obsolete by State standards. Some pieces are coming to their end-of-life for maintenance and will not be repairable. This program will include: Power Cots, Lucas Devices, Monitors/Life Packs, and Stair chairs are not part of this program at this time, ours are still useable.

Motion by Rodgers, supported by Bales to accept the Stryker purchase program of \$115,980.00 per year for the next 4 years as offered. The old equipment will be traded in, maintenance and service warranties are included, knowing that the price is not locked in for years 5 and 6. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes, Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Purchase of New Firefighter Turnout Gear:

Chief Wilson stated that the Fire Dept. had qualified and received a \$20,555.00 grant for the replacement of five sets of FF turnout gear, and the Chief is asking for approval to make the purchase since we have already received the money from the State.

Motion by Rodgers, supported by Bales to approve the purchase of five sets of Turn Out gear for the Fire Dept, using the money from the Grant in the amount of \$20,555 that was deposited in the Fire Dept acct. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes, Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Budget Amendment – Contracted Services:

Treasurer Gregg presented a request to amend the budget accounts for Contracted Services for the payment of \$6,000.00 To Acct: 101-265-000 for the cost of CivicPlus Website. Motion by Gregg, supported by Rodgers to make the necessary budget adjustments of \$6,000.00 from the



General Fund. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes, Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Land Split: Cathy and Dean Opel - 1670 Shumway Rd.

Rincon presented and recommended a request for a land split for an AG-1 zoned original property of 40.3 acres is to have 2.00 acres split off, with all parcels meeting the road frontage requirements.

Motion by Rodgers, supported by Bales to approve the land split recommended for 1670 Shumway Rd as stated. Motion carried 7-0.

ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS:

Bales: Asked that Burke have a copy of the International Property Maint code for the board at the next meeting.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Resident Ryan Rank spoke in regard to the issue of using the International Property Maint. Codes in the township, and that this code is very, very picky about property and would cost the township properties lots of money to come up to their code level, such as the driveways, buildings that we currently have. Need to enforce the ordinances we currently have.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS: Motion by Rodgers, seconded by Benschoter, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 7-Yes; 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Typed and Submitted by:

Janet Moden Township Clerk