# Watertown Charter Township January 16, 2024, Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Supervisor Maahs with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor John Maahs, Treasurer Sue Biergans, Clerk Carolyn Brokob, Trustee Chad Cooley, Trustee Todd Hufnagel, and Trustee Ron Overton.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Holly Madill, with notice.

STAFF PRESENT: Township Manager Jennifer Tubbs and Township Planning Director Andrea Polverento.

PUBLIC SIGNED-IN: Brian Hurtekant

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Brian Hurtekant thanked the township for assistance with installation of the new streetlight on Earnest Way. The Rosewood neighborhood is very pleased. Mr. Hurtekant also announced he will running for District 4 Clinton County Commissioner.

#### III. CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Trustee Cooley, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### IV. AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Trustee Cooley, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Treasurer Biergans, to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 18, 2023, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

# VI. APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion by Treasurer Biergans, seconded by Trustee Cooley, to approve the additional bill list placed on the table. Motion carried unanimously.

### VII. PUBLIC HEARING: None

#### VIII. **PENDING BUSINESS:** None

# IX. NEW BUSINESS:

# A. Watertown Charter Township Planning Commission Annual Report 2023

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to accept and place on file the 2023 Annual Report of the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

### B. Election Commission Recommendation on Early Voting Compensation

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Treasurer Biergans, to adopt the Election Commission's recommendation to compensate Watertown Charter Township's inspectors scheduled for early voting at a rate of \$20 per hour beginning February 25, 2024. Motion carried.

# X. BOARD MEMBER AND PUBLIC COMMENT:

Clerk Brokob provided an additional update on elections. A discussion ensued on public service and the lack of interest due to harassment and intimidation of public servants.

Treasurer Biergans brought the board's attention to the Unclaimed Property memo. Funds from 2015 were found by the Treasurer and she was able to obtain a payment.

### XI. ADJOURNMENT: 7:23PM

Date approved: February 20, 2024

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John Supervisor Maahs,

Carolyn Brokob, Clerk