

# Watertown Charter Township

12803 S. Wacousta Road, Grand Ledge MI 48837 | (517) 626-6593

## July 18, 2022 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes

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**1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Supervisor John 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 Todd Hufnagel, Trustee Holly Madill, and Trustee Ron Overton.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Trustee Chad Cooley, with notice

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

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mike Frederick from Clinton County Road Commission provided an update on road projects in the township.

Jon Horford introduced himself. He is the Democratic candidate running for the 77<sup>th</sup> District State House seat.

### **3. CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

### **4. AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Motion by Trustee Hufnagel, seconded by Treasurer Biergans, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

### **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 20, 2022 – Regular Meeting**

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 20, 2022. Motion carried.

### **6. APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Supervisor Maahs noted the bill list on the table and the bill in the packet.

Motion by Treasurer Biergans, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to approve the bill list dated July 18, 2022, and the bill presented in the packet. Motion carried.

### **7. PUBLIC HEARING: N/A**

### **8. PENDING BUSINESS: N/A**

### **9. NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **a. Change Clark Road from local to primary**

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to approve the letter to Michigan Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Planning on behalf of the Clinton County Road Commission and Watertown Charter Township to request Clark Road between Wacousta Road to Francis Road be reclassified from local to a primary classification in accordance with ACT 51 and NFC reclassification. Motion carried.

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#### **b. Metro Act Permit Application – MCImetro (Verizon)**

Motion by Trustee Madill, seconded by Treasurer Biergans, to approve the right of way telecommunication permit renewal for MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC. Motion carried.

#### **c. Metro Act Permit Application – Winn Telecom**

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Trustee Madill, to approve the right of way telecommunication permit for Winn Telephone Company. Motion carried.

#### **d. Case No. 22-06 Rezoning Request – Gary Fairfax**

Motion by Trustee Madill, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, that the Watertown Charter Township Board of Trustees concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the request to rezone the western 150 feet of Parcel No. 19-150-036-400-032-00, as described in Case No. 22-06 REZ, from LI - Light Industrial to AG - Agricultural. Motion carried.

#### **e. 2022 Tax Rate Request L-4029**

Motion by Clerk Brokob, seconded by Treasurer Biergans, to authorize the adoption of the 2022 L-4029 Tax Rate Request. Motion carried.

#### **f. 13145 Wacousta Road Abatement for Zoning Violation**

Planning Director, Andrea Polverento provided an update on a zoning violation and abatement plans at 13145 Wacousta Road. Clinton County Judge Michael Clarizio ordered the judgement of abatement and apply the costs to the property owner's tax bill. A sign will be placed on the property with the date and time of the scheduled remediation.

Motion by Trustee Madill, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to approve the proposal from Dirty Work for the zoning violation abatement at 13145 Wacousta Road in the amount of \$1,978.25 in accordance with 65-A District Court Order for the Abatement dated May 23, 2022, and authorize the treasurer to apply the costs to the property owner's tax bill. Motion carried.

### **10. BOARD MEMBER AND PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Planning Director Polverento said the ground water testing report is forthcoming and will be presented at an upcoming Board of Trustee meeting.

Manager Tubbs provided an update from the Building Committee and ask if the Trustees would like to tour the Wacousta Elementary School. The Trustees were agreeable, and a time will be scheduled in the next few weeks.

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:56PM**

Date approved:

  
John Maahs, Supervisor

  
Carolyn Brokob, Clerk