

# Watertown Charter Township

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

April 19, 2021 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The electronic meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Supervisor John Maahs with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor John Maahs, Clerk Deborah Adams, Treasurer Susan Biergans, Trustee Chad Cooley, Trustee Todd Hufnagel, Trustee Holly Madill (arrived 7:04PM), and Trustee Ron Overton.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ken Mitchell, Clinton County Commissioner, made his monthly report to the Board.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Cooley, Madill, Adams, Hufnagel, Maahs, Biergans, Overton

No: None

Motion carried.

## **AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Item 2 was added: Richard Turcotte Re-Appointment to Construction Board of Appeals

Item 7 was added: SCCMUA Rebid – Sewer Relining

Motion by Trustee Overton, seconded by Trustee Cooley, to approve the agenda as amended.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Adams, Maahs, Biergans, Cooley, Madill, Hufnagel, Overton

No: None

Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

### **1. March 15, 2021 – Regular Meeting**

Motion by Clerk Adams, seconded by Trustee Overton, to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 15, 2021, as presented.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Overton, Hufnagel, Maahs, Madill, Biergans, Adams, Cooley

No: None

Motion carried.

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## APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Supervisor Maahs noted that an additional bill list had been emailed to board members that afternoon.

Motion by Trustee Hufnagel, seconded by Trustee Madill, to approve the bill lists dated April 19, 2021, as presented.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Cooley, Biergans, Overton, Madill, Maahs, Hufnagel, Adams

No: None

Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS:

### 1. Charles Openlander – Re-Appointment as Planning Commission Representative to Zoning Board of Appeals

Motion by Trustee Cooley, seconded by Trustee Madill, that the Board of Trustees concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and re-appoint Charles Openlander as the Planning Commission representative to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one-year term. Motion carried.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Madill, Overton, Maahs, Adams, Hufnagel, Cooley, Biergans

No: None

Motion carried.

### 2. Richard Turcotte - Re-Appointment to Construction Board of Appeals

Motion by Clerk Adams, seconded by Trustee Overton, to re-appoint Richard Turcotte to the Construction Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending April 30, 2024. Motion carried.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Biergans, Madill, Maahs, Adams, Hufnagel, Cooley, Overton

No: None

Motion carried.

### 4. Road Resurfacing Contracts

Motion by Trustee Madill, seconded by Trustee Cooley, for approval of the road contracts totaling \$550,671.55 with the following project numbers as presented: 489.015.150191, 489.015.159030, 489.015.150291, 497.015.150371.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Maahs, Adams, Cooley, Overton, Biergans, Madill, Hufnagel

No: None

Motion carried.

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## 5. Chloride and Overband/Crackfill Contracts

Motion by Trustee Hufnagel, seconded by Trustee Cooley, for approval of the road contracts 497.015.150171 for \$84,921.75 for chloride for the township gravel roads and contract 497.015.150271 for \$19,800 for crackfilling/overbanding the township local paved roads.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Biergans, Adams, Madill, Hufnagel, Maahs, Cooley, Overton

No: None

Motion carried.

## 7. SCCMUA Rebid Sewer Relining

Motion by Trustee Madill, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to approve the contract with Insituform Technologies for \$196,062, with a total project cost of \$205,866, which includes a 5% contingency.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Hufnagel, Biergans, Cooley, Madill, Maahs, Overton, Adams

No: None

Motion carried.

## 3. Purchase of Gator

Motion by Trustee Hufnagel, seconded by Trustee Madill, to approve the bid with D & G Equipment for the purchase of a John Deere gator xuv590M as outfitted for winter plowing according to the bid at a purchase price not to exceed \$18,839.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Maahs, Overton, Biergans, Madill, Hufnagel, Adams, Cooley,

No: None

Motion carried.

## 6. Ordinance 57 – Consumers Energy Company Gas Franchise Ordinance

Motion by Trustee Cooley, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to have Ordinance No. 57 considered read, an ordinance permitting a franchise for Consumers Energy to provide gas service to residents in the township for an additional 30-year period, and further, that Ordinance No. 57 be placed on the agenda for the May regular meeting for final reading and vote.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Adams, Madill, Maahs, Overton, Biergans, Hufnagel, Cooley

No: None

Motion carried.

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### DISCUSSION AND PUBLIC COMMENT:

Trustee Hufnagel inquired how Dump Your Junk Day had gone the past weekend. Manager Tubbs stated that it was a light day, as far as resident turnout was concerned, with less than 100 people attending. There were no large backups. The township will likely continue the practice of having residents unload their own vehicles in the future.

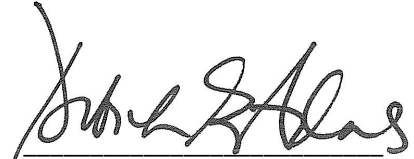
Trustee Overton commented on the large revenues coming to the state through gambling revenues.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The electronic meeting was adjourned at 7:47PM.

Date approved: May 17, 2021



John Maahs, Supervisor



Deborah Adams, Clerk