

Watertown Charter Township

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

April 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes

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 Janice Thelen, Trustee Chad Cooley, Trustee Todd Hufnagel, Trustee Holly Madill, 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.

No comments were received from the only other audience member, Dale Westrick.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

Yes: Madill, Hufnagel, Maahs, Overton, Thelen, Cooley

No: None

Motion carried.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Item 5 was added: Temporary Accessory Housing for COVID-19 Critical Infrastructure Workers

Item 6 was added: Utility Billing Waiver

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

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. March 16, 2020 – Regular Meeting

Motion by Trustee Hufnagel, seconded by Treasurer Thelen, to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 16, 2020.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Clerk Adams noted that an additional bill list had been emailed to board members that afternoon.

Motion by Treasurer Thelen, seconded by Clerk Adams, to approve the bill lists dated April 20, 2020, as presented.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Construction Board of Appeals Re-Appointment – George Walter

Motion by Clerk Adams, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, to re-appoint George Walter to the Construction Board of Appeals for a three-year term ending April 30, 2023.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

2. Final Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 55 – Commercial Solar Energy Systems

Motion by Treasurer Thelen, seconded by Trustee Overton, to adopt, upon second reading, Ordinance No. 55 with an effective date of May 3, 2020, which is seven days following the publication date of April 26, 2020, and to approve the summary for publication as presented this day by the township clerk.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

3. Township Property Farming Contract

Motion by Trustee Hufnagel, seconded by Clerk Adams, to direct the township manager to prepare a one year contract for the 2020 farming season with Shady Lodge Farm for \$120 per acre that continues the same requirements

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as the previous contract with the addition of a required 50ft set back from the West property line for any spray applications of any type of pesticides.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

4. Road Contracts

Motion by Trustee Hufnagel, seconded by Trustee Cooley, for approval of the road contract number 497.015.157010 for \$84,921.75 for chloride for the township gravel roads and contract 497.015.157030 for crack filling/overbanding the township local paved roads.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

5. Temporary Accessory Housing for COVID-19 Critical Infrastructure Workers

Motion by Trustee Madill, seconded by Trustee Hufnagel, that the Watertown Charter Township Board of Trustees approves the Application for Temporary Accessory Housing for COVID-19 Critical Infrastructure Workers and to establish an application fee of \$0.

A roll call vote was recorded as follows:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

6. Utility Billing Waiver

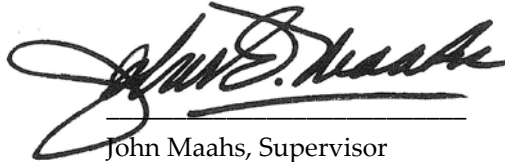
The township board confirmed that the township manager was authorized by the board's previous action to suspend all late fees for utility billing during the pandemic.

DISCUSSION AND PUBLIC COMMENT:

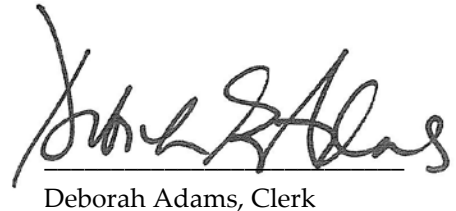
None.

ADJOURNMENT: The electronic meeting was adjourned at 7:42PM.

Date approved: May 18, 2020



John Maahs, Supervisor



Deborah Adams, Clerk