

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO

Work Session
March 13, 2018
6:00 PM

The Oshtemo Township Board Work Session was held at the Township Hall. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Treasurer Nancy Culp
Trustee Dave Bushouse
Trustee Deb Everett
Trustee Zak Ford
Trustee Ken Hudok

Also present were Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Marc Elliott, Lt. Troy Faulk, and 5 interested people.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Kalamazoo County Update

Kalamazoo County Commissioner Julie Rogers shared that the county has hired new corporate counsel Elizabeth White. She also updated the Board on a new Brownfield project in Vicksburg at the old paper mill. Her coffee hour with residents is at Feed the World Café on March 31 from 10 AM-11AM.

Lieutenant Faulk spoke about the mail thefts in the Township, sharing that there are persons of interest in that will potentially face federal charges.

Closed Session Request

Attorney Jim Porter presented a resolution to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing the written opinion of counsel.

Motion by Culp, second by Everett to enter closed session to discuss the written opinion of counsel. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Farmer absent.

Motion by Bushouse, second by Culp to return to open session. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

Board/Committee Appointments

Motion by Everett, second by Ford to authorize the Supervisor to form committees as discussed. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the work session at approximately 7:00 PM.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO
Regular Meeting
March 13, 2018
7:15 PM

The Oshtemo Township Board Regular Meeting was held at the Township Hall. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at approximately 7:15 PM.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Treasurer Nancy Culp
Trustee Dave Bushouse
Trustee Deb Everett
Trustee Zak Ford
Trustee Ken Hudok

Also present were Township Attorney James Porter, Public Works Director Marc Elliott, Lt. Troy Faulk and approximately 4 interested people.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Rotary presentation.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes – February 27, 2018, Regular Meeting
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. Revenue/Expenditure Report
- d. Drake Farmstead Park Phase II Budget Amendment
- e. NFPA 1 Fire Code 2018 edition - Second Reading
- f. 2018 Meeting Dates
- g. Purchasing Policy Amendments
- h. RCKC Non-Motorized Facility “Umbrella” Agreements

Motion by Culp, second by Ford to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried

Consideration of KL Ave Future Path Retaining Wall – MDOT Bridge Project

Motion by Ford, second by Hudok to authorize the Supervisor to continue negotiations with MDOT and the Road Commission of Kalamazoo County and to proceed with building the retaining wall for the KL Avenue pathway. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

Master Plan Amendment – Public Hearing

Motion by Culp, second by Ford to approve the Master Plan Amendment. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

Consideration of Transfer of Class C/SDM Liquor License for EOA-O, LLC/Cekola/Jac’s

Motion by Ford, second by Hudok to approve the liquor license transfer for Jac’s of Oshtemo. Roll call. Motion carried 6-0, with Farmer absent.

Consideration of Consultant Work & Budget Amendment for Sidewalk Design & Estimating in Areas of Sanitary Sewer Phase 1 Projects

Motion by Ford, second by Heiny-Cogswell to approve the contract extension with Fleis & Vandenbrink for engineering services for sidewalks where sewer is constructed. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

Public Comment

A resident of the Skyridge neighborhood voiced concern over not wanting to be responsible for snow shoveling and also not wanting to pay for sidewalks that other people use.

Other Business

Lt. Faulk discussed the mail box thefts in the Township. One suggestion is to sign up for alert services from the United States Postal Service so that residents are aware when mail is coming and/or missing.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the Regular meeting at approximately 8:30 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer
Township Clerk