

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
May 12, 2020
7:15 PM

The Oshtemo Township Board Regular Meeting was held virtually using the Zoom platform. Residents were able to join the meeting through both the Zoom application and by phone. Residents were able to give public comment through email, the Zoom platform, and by phone during the meeting. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at approximately 7:15 PM.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Clerk Dusty Farmer
Treasurer Grant Taylor
Trustee Cheri Bell
Trustee Deb Everett
Trustee Zak Ford
Trustee Ken Hudok

Also present were Township Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Marc Elliott, Assistant to Supervisor Josh Owens, Planning Director Iris Lubbert, and approximately 25 interested people.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes – April 14, 21, 28 Regular Meetings & May 8 Special Meeting
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. State-County Aerial Imagery First Amendment Agreement
- d. Zoning Ordinance Amendments – SECOND READING
 - a. Lighting
 - b. Setbacks
 - c. Accessory Buildings
 - e. Job Description Amendments – Zoning Administrator

Motion by Ford, second by Bell to approve the consent agenda. Roll call. Motion carried 7-0.

Consideration of Rezoning Three Parcels on South 11th Street – First Reading

Planning Director Iris Lubbert introduced the request for rezoning of parcels 05-25-455-021, 05-25-455-024, and 05-25-455-030 from R-2 to R-3 for first reading.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. One person spoke.

Motion by Farmer, second by Hudok to approve the rezoning of the three parcels on South 11th St. for first reading and set for second reading on May 26, 2020. Roll call. Motion carried 7-0.

Consideration of Livestock and Honeybees Ordinance Amendments – First Reading
Planning Director Iris Lubbert introduced the amendments to the Livestock and Honeybees Ordinance for first reading.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion by Heiny-Cogswell, second by Farmer to approve the amendments to the Livestock and Honeybees Ordinance for first reading and set for second reading on May 26, 2020. Roll call. Motion carried 7-0.

Consideration of Landscaping Ordinance Amendments – First Reading
Planning Director Iris Lubbert presented the proposed amendments to the Landscaping Ordinance for first reading.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion by Heiny-Cogswell, second by Ford to approve the amendments to the Landscaping Ordinance for first reading and set for second reading on May 26, 2020. Roll call. Motion carried 7-0.

Consideration of Sanitary Sewer USDA Phase 1

- a. Conditional Award Resolution to Award the Construction Contracts
- b. Bond Authorizing Resolution
- c. Rural Development Loan Resolutions

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. 2 people spoke.

Motion by Ford, second by Hudok to adopt a resolution to make a conditional award of Construction Contract A for Phase 1 of the USDA Sanitary Sewer project to Peters Construction of Kalamazoo in the amount of \$4,395,422.29, and Construction Contract B for Phase 1 of the USDA Sanitary Sewer project to Dunigan Bros. Inc. of Jackson in the amount of \$3,628,585.70. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-1, with Everett voting NO.

Motion by Ford, second by Farmer to adopt a resolution to authorize issuance of capital improvement bonds, general obligation limited tax, series 2020A and 2020B. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-1, with Everett voting NO.

Motion by Ford, second by Taylor to adopt a resolution authorizing and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness in the amount of \$8,346,000 for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of acquiring, constructing, enlarging, improving and/or extending the sewer collection system facility to serve an area lawfully within Oshtemo's jurisdiction to serve. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-1, with Everett voting NO.

Motion by Ford, second by Taylor to adopt a resolution authorizing and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness in the amount of \$864,000 for the purpose of providing a portion of

the cost of acquiring, constructing, enlarging, improving and/or extending the sewer collection system facility to serve an area lawfully within Oshtemo's jurisdiction to serve. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-1, with Everett voting NO.

Update on Township COVID-19 Response

Assistant to the Supervisor Josh Owens presented information regarding reopening the Township offices during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Public Comment

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. 3 people spoke.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:20 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Township Supervisor