

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO

Board Meeting

June 28, 2022

6:00 PM

The Oshtemo Township Public Meeting was held in person at the Township Hall. The public was able to join the meeting through both the Zoom application and by phone. Residents were able to give public comment during the meeting. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell

Clerk Dusty Farmer

Treasurer Clare Buszka

Trustee Zak Ford

Trustee Kizzy Bradford

Trustee Kristin Cole

Trustee Cheri Bell

Also present were Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Anna Horner, Maintenance Director Rick Everett, and 1 interested person.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment on non-regular session items.

**WORK SESSION ITEMS**

**Budget Discussion (Accomplishments, Vision, Goals)**

The Board received summaries from Maintenance, Legal, and the Clerk's Office.

**Updates & Business**

**REGULAR SESSION ITEMS**

Motion by Bell, second by Heiny-Cogswell to include another opportunity for public comment before the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment on non-regular session items.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell asked if anyone present wished to remove anything from the consent agenda.

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Minutes June 14th, 2022, June 16, 2022, June 17, 2022
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. Budget Amendments
- d. Job Description Amendment

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

### **Discussion on Housing**

Attorney Porter presented information explaining the authority to establish a housing commission and the ways in which that might impact the community. The Board agreed that all stakeholders in the community should be allowed to provide input. Board consensus was to invite representatives from the City of Kalamazoo to answer questions about the benefits and challenges of the Fair Housing ordinance that was enacted in 2020. Board consensus was to establish the structure and scope of work to assign to an internal committee: who is on the committee (trustees, staff, area housing agency representatives, rental agency representatives, public safety), development of an ordinance, what work should be accomplished, and the cost of development and implementation.

### **Public Comment**

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:35 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer  
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell  
Township Supervisor