

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO

Board Meeting

August 9, 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. Clerk Farmer called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.

PRESENT:

Clerk Dusty Farmer

Treasurer Clare Buszka- remote

Trustee Zak Ford

Trustee Kizzy Bradford

Trustee Kristin Cole

REMOTE:

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell

Trustee Cheri Bell

Also present were Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Anna Horner, Planning Director Iris Lubbert, and IT Coordinator Jon Gibson.

Clerk Farmer opened public comment on non-regular session items.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

Discussion on 2023 Annual Budget Revenues

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell presented the General and Fire Fund activity and budget from 2020, 2021, and 2022, and the requested budget for 2023.

REGULAR SESSION ITEMS

Clerk Farmer asked if anyone present wished to remove anything from the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes – July 26th, 2022 Regular Meeting
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. 2023 Township Board Meeting Dates
- d. Compensation
 - i. Deputy Supervisor Stipend
 - ii. General Maintenance
- e. Budget Amendments
- f. Update Parks Expenditures

Farmer requested to remove item d.ii.

Motion by Ford, second by Bradford to approve the consent agenda without item d.ii. Motion carried 6-0, with one absent.

Presentation on Township Master Plans

Planning Director Iris Lubbert and Public Works Director Anna Horner presented the purpose of a Master Plan and a descriptions of the most recent Master Plan updates. They also discussed how to implement an adopted Master Plan.

Consideration of Parkview Non-Motorized Easements

Motion by Ford, second by Cole to adopt a resolution to enter closed session to discuss the purchase of real estate/easement acquisition. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Heiny-Cogswell absent.

Motion by Ford, second by Cole to exit closed session. Motion carried 6-0, with one absent.

Motion by Ford, second by Farmer to proceed as discussed in closed session. Motion carried 4-2 with one absent.

Consideration of Industrial Facilities Tax (IFT) Abatement Policy Amendments

Attorney Porter presented the amendments to the IFT Abatement Policy, as previously requested by the Board.

Motion by Ford, second by Buszka to approve the amendments to the IFT Abatement Policy. Motion carried 6-0, with one absent.

Public Comment

Clerk Farmer opened public comment. No public comment.

Clerk Farmer adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:05 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Township Supervisor