

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO
Township Board Meeting
May 10, 2011

Township Board work session was held at the Township Hall. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT:
Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Clerk Deb Everett
Treasurer Nancy Culp
Trustee Grace Borgfjord
Trustee Dave Bushouse
Trustee James Grace
Trustee Lee Larson

Also present were Township Attorney James Porter, and 1 interested person.

KCSD Activity Report

Sgt. Todd Meyers was present and provided information on recent activity in the Township.

Kalamazoo County Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Brandt Iden provided an update of recent Kalamazoo County Commission activities. Greg Ayers, President of the Kalamazoo County Convention & Visitors Bureau was also present providing information about the organization.

Committee Appointments

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell presented a recommendation to appoint Peggy Warlick and Carol Ladd to the Friends of the Parks and accept the resignation of Patti Winters.

Motion by Everett, second by Larson to approve the appointments and accept the resignation as presented. Carried.

Assistant to the Supervisor Position

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell presented information regarding the position left vacant when Associate Planner/Assistant to the Supervisor resigned in March of this year. She advised after discussions with the Planning Director and Personnel Committee, the recommendation is to hire a full time Assistant to the Supervisor and shift some non-planning responsibilities currently held in the Planning Department to the Supervisor's office. Consensus was the Supervisor will provide more details for Board consideration.

The Board work session adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:
Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Clerk Deb Everett
Treasurer Nancy Culp
Trustee Grace Borgfjord
Trustee Dave Bushouse
Trustee James Grace
Trustee Lee Larson

Also present were Township Attorney James Porter, and 6 interested people.

Motion by Borgfjord, second by Culp to approve the April 26th regular meeting minutes. Carried with James Grace abstaining.

Income to the General, Building, Fire, Sewer & Water Funds of \$64,615.15 and disbursements of \$136,246.32 were reported. Motion by James Grace, second by Borgfjord to accept the receipts and disbursements report. Carried.

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CONDITIONAL REZONING – 7190 WEST KL AVENUE

A recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve a Conditional Rezoning request at 7190 West Kl Avenue was before the Board for Second Reading. The property is currently zoned I-1 Industrial and the applicant is requesting a portion of the building be conditionally rezoned to Rural Residential to permit a residence while establishing a new business. Conditions offered for approval were the living space will be occupied by the applicant, the living space will never be used as a rental property, the living space will never be sold separate from the balance of the property, and the conditional rezoning is contingent upon the applicant, Nancy Bruce, occupying the building and if she ceases to occupy the building, the zoning will revert back to I-1 Industrial zoning; conditions would be required to be incorporated into a Statement of Conditions that may be recorded with the Register of Deeds.

Motion by Everett, second by Borgfjord to approve the conditional rezoning, subject to recording of the Statement of Conditions as presented. Carried.

**KALAMAZOO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
ANNUAL REPORT**

Linda Teeter and Larry Norwood were present to provide an update regarding the Kalamazoo County Transportation Authority (KCTA). Ms. Teeter advised demand for bus service is up from last year, the board is in the process of hiring an executive director and reviewing future funding options. She commented the development of the KCTA is a good example of intergovernmental cooperation.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Borgfjord noted the 2nd Annual Oshtemo Sunburst 5K will be held on August 13th.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:20 p.m.

DEBORAH L. EVERETT
Township Clerk

Attested: LIBBY HEINY-COGSWELL
Supervisor