

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING

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FLUSHING, MICHIGAN 48433
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

DATE: JULY 14, 2022

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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ADMINISTRATION:

SUPERVISOR: Frederick R. Thorsby
CLERK: Wendy D. Meinburg
TREASURER: Terry A. Peck

TRUSTEES:

William Bain
Linda Minarik
William L. Westenbarger
Sharilynn K. Willette

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY:

MATTHEW S. MCKONE PLLC
6258 W. Pierson Road
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- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:00 P.M. by **CLERK MEINBURG** with Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Peck, Willette, Westenbarger, Bain, Minarik and Meinburg. Attorney Matt McKone was also present.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Thorsby

OTHER INDIVIDUALS PRESENT: Nine (9)

At this time, Clerk Meinburg informed the Board of Trustees that Supervisor Thorsby was ill and unable to attend the meeting.

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to allow Clerk Meinburg to chair the July 14, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR JULY 14, 2022

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Westenbarger to approve the agenda for July 14, 2022.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF JUNE 30, 2022

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2022 Special Board Meeting.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to approve the payment of bills as presented.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Meinburg, Westenbarger, Bain, Peck, Minarik and Willette

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Thorsby

THE MOTION CARRIED.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:03 P.M.

No comments made.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:04 P.M.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. First Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 22-04 AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY COLLECTOR SYSTEMS INSTALLATIONS REGULATED BY CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING SOLAR ENERGY ZONING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS.

TRUSTEE WILLETE MOVED, supported by Trustee Westenbarger to approve the First Reading of ORDINANCE 22-04 AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY COLLECTOR SYSTEMS INSTALLATIONS REGULATED BY CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING SOLAR ENERGY ZONING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bain, Minarik, Westenbarger, Peck, Meinburg and Willette

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Thorsby

THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Motion to approve Resolution 22-07 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FLUSHING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PLACE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 BALLOT *“Shall the Township of Flushing impose a forty-three dollar (\$43.00) assessment upon each parcel within the Township for a period of two (2) years, 2023 through 2024 inclusive, to provide funding for a township-wide mosquito abatement program, thereby raising an estimated one hundred and eighty five thousand dollars and zero cents (\$185,000) in the first year the assessment is levied?”*

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to approve Resolution 22-07 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FLUSHING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PLACE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 BALLOT *“Shall the Township of Flushing impose a forty-three dollar (\$43.00) assessment upon each parcel within the Township for a period of two (2) years, 2023 through 2024 inclusive, to provide funding for a township-wide mosquito abatement program, thereby raising an estimated one hundred and eighty five thousand dollars and zero cents (\$185,000) in the first year the assessment is levied?”*

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Meinburg, Willette, Peck, Minarik and Westenbarger

NAYS: Bain

ABSENT: Thorsby

THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. Discussion and possible motion on wage increase for inspectors in the building department.

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to approve a wage increase for inspectors in the building department from \$55 to \$60 per inspection.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Peck, Minarik, Willette, Bain, Westenbarger and Meinburg

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Thorsby

THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. Discussion and possible motion on Employee’s contract.

At this time, Attorney McKone announced that approximately two months ago, Chief Mark Bolin approached the Township through submission of a letter stating his wish to retire. Attorney McKone gave a brief overview of the terms of the separation agreement for the purposes of retirement.

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Westenbarger to approve Chief Mark Bolin’s retirement and the terms of the separation agreement for the purposes of retirement.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Peck, Meinburg, Minarik, Bain, Willette, Westenbarger

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Thorsby

THE MOTION CARRIED.

The members of the Board offered well wishes to Chief Bolin and thanked him for his dedication and service to the township.

VI. REPORTS:

1. Supervisor's Report – Supervisor
Monthly Building Report
Monthly Code Enforcement Report
Fire Department Report

Clerk Meinburg reported that they are still working on the speaker system to improve the sound quality at meetings. She also stated that North Flushing Baptist Church has graciously offered the use of their building for 3 meetings including setting up and taking down tables and chairs at no cost. Clerk Meinburg suggested entertaining the idea of a reimbursement or donation to the church to express the gratitude of the township.

2. Clerk's Report – Clerk

Clerk Meinburg reported things are moving along well for the upcoming election. AV ballots have been sent and things are well underway. Training of election inspectors is nearing completion and E-pollbook training will be starting soon.

3. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer
Water Report
Financial Report June 2022

Treasurer Peck reported there was no water meeting so there was nothing to report on. Treasurer Peck gave a financial update.

4. Flushing Township Police Department – Chief Bolin

Chief Bolin reported the statistics from the police department for June 2022. He also reported on the sale of forfeited firearms which raised \$3,260.

Chief Bolin gave a heartfelt speech, thanking the Board for the opportunity to serve and for their support. He will be greatly missed.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:24 P.M.

One comment made, by Kenyetta Dotson, who is running for State Representative for the 69th District.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:27 P.M.

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS:

Trustee Willette reported the annual senior center meeting went well and was well received.

Trustee Minarik inquired of Chief Bolin the length of time it took to accumulate the forfeited firearms that were sold. He informed her it was about a ten-year period.

IX. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: August 11, 2022

X. ADJOURNMENT

TRUSTEE WESTENBARGER MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 P.M.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

WENDY D. MEINBURG, Clerk

FREDERICK R. THORSBY, Supervisor

APPROVED DATE _____

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mandy Hemingway, Deputy Clerk
7/14/2022