



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MADISON

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Madison Township Board Meeting
Held in Person and Electronically (Zoom)
Minutes of June 14, 2022

7:00 p.m. Board Meeting called to order, with a silent prayer, and pledge to the flag said by all.

ROLL CALL:

Present in person: Griewahn, Gregg, Moden, Rodgers, Benschoter, Carpenter, and Bales.
Rodgers came 10 minutes late to meeting.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MTG MINUTES: 5/10/2022

Motion by Bales, supported by Benschoter to dispense reading and approve the Board meeting minutes as written for 5/10/2022. Motion was carried 6-0.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: Motion by Griewahn, supported by Carpenter to add Road Work/Palmyra to the Old Business. Motion carried 7-0

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: None

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS: Beth Blanco – Candidate for county commissioner for Lenawee 4th district was present to speak to her background and reasons for running for this elected position.

David LaCasse – Candidate for county District Court Judge was present to speak to his background and reasons for running for this elected position.

Gary Griewahn introduced Amanda LaCelle, our relatively new township property assessor, she spoke to her background and the current things within the township that she has been working on.

Jacob Hurt, Executive Director and Stephen Bezold, Associate Planner from Region II planning commission were here to speak to the board about the quote that they gave the township for rewriting the township zoning book and updating the language.



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LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

3-MINUTE DEPT. HEAD UPDATES:

Fire: Chief reported two fires in Adrian City that they responded to. Currently working on the change over from Firehouse to ESO software, data migration has been slow. Ed Mathis has received his Fire Instructor II certification. Fairfield FD has been training on tanker operations with the cooperation of SILBOND in Weston.

Police: Chief Shadbolt reported that they are catching up on their court cases, and Madison Schools asked for their participation in graduation. Jimmy Ensor, part time ordinance officer has tendered his resignation effective June 30.

Water/Sewer: Watterson reported that he has been examining the need to have Water Meters in stock, due to the prices going up and parts shortages. He explained that if he places a large order now it would be at least October of 2022 to early 2023 before he would get them. The longer we wait, the more costly they will be. He reported that the observation well has been installed and he is currently waiting on its production reports on capacity.

Inspection: Dave Rincon reported that building was going as normal for this time of year. Green Acres/Casa Villas were progressing. He reported that he has received the plans for the Adrian Township Solar Farm permits.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Rodgers, supported by Benschoter to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

INSPECTOR COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES: 5/17/2022

Carpenter read the minutes of the meeting and submitted a motion to approve as read, supported by Rodgers. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Moden, supported by Gregg to table the Inspector Committee recommendation to hire Ryan Olszewski, the son of Inspector Don Olszewski as the township's plumbing inspector and Don would be his backup, due to the fact that there had been earlier discussions with Don regarding the specifics of his inspector scope of work responsibilities and costs. The tabled recommendation should be sent back to the inspector committee to initiate a written agreement for the inspectors to work under as contracted services. Motion passed 7-0.



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PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES 6/6/2022:

Michelle Johnson, Committee Chairperson read the meeting minutes, motion by Rodgers, supported by Benschoter to approve the minutes as read. Motion was passed 7-0.

It was noted that the Region II /Lenawee County Planning Commission did not approve the Solar Zoning Ordinance, due to the fact that the ordinance document that was sent to them had not been that correct document. The corrected document will be send to them for their next month's meeting. They also had some suggestions that will need to be looked at by our planning commission first.

Due to this delay a motion by Rodgers, supported by Griewahn, was to extend the moratorium on Wind/Solar projects until 12/31/22. Motion carried 7-0

There was discussion on amending the wording on the placement of RV trailers in residential areas at certain times of the year. The committee is in the process of revising the ordinance to offer relief from April to November to allow front lawn placement without enforcement at present time. No action taken by the board.

The Region II quote to update the Township Zoning Ordinance was \$4500.00. Motion by Rodgers, supported by Benschoter to hire Region II to be hired to do the update at a cost of \$4500.00. Motion passed 7-0.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT – Township Hall Contracted Services:

Motion by Griewahn, supported by Gregg to increase the account by \$7500.00. . Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0. The \$7500 total includes \$4500 for Township Hall contractual services of Region II and later \$3000.00 for website update approval.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT – Road Construction: Supervisor Griewahn presented two options for 2022 road work. Motion by Gregg, supported by Rodgers, that the township authorize both Option A and B for \$95,000, as the funds are available at this time, since the budgeted money for Treat Rd asphalt overlay with Palmyra Twp. has been cancelled at this time, due to Palmyra not wanting to participate in their half. Option A is Prairie Dr. underseal asphalt overlay to Baldwins Hwy. and Graham Hwy crack fill, sealcoat and fog seal from Demings Lake to Carleton Rd. Option 2 is New projects 1 & 2 and add Project #3 Baldwin Hwy crack fill, sealcoat and fog seal from Carleton to Cadmus Rds. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.



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NEW BUSINESS:

LAND SPLIT – 2752 PORTER HWY. – MICHAEL & DORIS WOODY:

Dave Rincon, Building Official presented the case to approve the land split for Michael and Doris Woody of 2752 Porter Hwy. zoned AG-1 and remaining AG-1, two parcels of farmland. 1.268 acres would be split from the original 6.492 acres, with both properties meeting the frontage requirements. Motion by Bales, supported by Benschoter to approve the land split as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

WATER METER AND SUPPLIES PURCHASE:

Tim Watterson explained his reasons for purchasing a supply of water meters for future use and the supplies needed for installations, basically to fend of raising costs coming in the near future and supply chain issues and delivery issues like we are having with the generators we have ordered. Motion by Rodger, supported by Gregg to approve up to \$16,000. for this purpose. Motion carried 7-0.

WEBSITE UPGRADE PROPOSAL:

Clerk Moden presented a quote received from our current website administrator, Shumaker Technology Group (STG), who recently purchased this portion of It Right our previous website admin. Currently our website has never been update since it's inception many years ago. The cost for the update is a one time \$4745. for the Platinum Package, plus \$45.00 per month to maintain the ADA Compliance of the website, and Option B: Fully managed for \$750.00 per year. Due to this approval another additional \$3000 adjustment to the contracted services fund will need to be made. Motion by Moden, supported by Griewahn to accept the quote as stated. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

OFFER FOR PROPERTY PURCHASE FOR ADDITIONAL WELL:

Motion by Griewahn, supported by Rodgers to go into closed session with Lucas, the township attorney to discuss. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0. Went into closed session at 8:30 p.m. Motion by Rodgers, supported by Griewahn Returned to Open session at 8:50 p.m. No decisions were made during the closed session. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; Carpenter, Yes; and Bales, Yes. Motion carried 7-0.



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ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS:

Moden: Anyone wishing to also be included in working the elections should contact the Clerk immediately as the required training for election inspectors will be at the Twp Hall on July 14, 2022.

Carpenter: Request update status on the Walmart Tax Tribunal, per Lucas it is set for trial as there have been no resolution discussions to date.

Griewahn: Stated that he attended the Bobbie Williams memorial at Beecher St. and Airport Hwy. He was Adrian Police officer killed on duty in 1975 and a graduate of Madison High School.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Todd Morgan – Candidate for county District Court Judge was present to speak to his background and reasons for running for this elected position. He currently in the position by appointment of the Governor for Poer retirement.

Al Brown Jr. spoke about the Ace Drill lawsuit, and with his lawyer Rodney Leon present. They were asking the board to consider making an exception to the Marijuana ordinance for the 11 ft that they are out of compliance, that was been turned done by the Madison Twp. Zoning Board of Appeals previously. It was noted to them that they have other recourse, such as buying more adjoining property or removing the portion of the building in question. Wanted to put the matter on the agenda. No board response at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS: Motion by Rodgers, seconded by Benschoter, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 7-Yes; 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Submitted by:

Janet Moden
Township Clerk