



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MADISON

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Larry Liedel

Madison Township Special Board Meeting
Held in Person and Zoom
Minutes of September 21, 2021 4:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. Special Board Meeting was called to order, with silent prayer, and pledge to the flag said by all.

ROLL CALL:

Present in person: Griewahn, Gregg, Moden, Benschoter, Carpenter and Bales.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES: None

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Moden asked if she should still move forward with setting up arrangements for the fall cleanup. Board members overall approved to make arrangements to do so.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS: None

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMUNICATION: None

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Not needed.

OLD BUSINESS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Due to the death of Elected Trustee, Larry Liedel in September 2021, a legal notice for his Trustee position was posted in the Daily Telegram and on the Township website for people



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to apply to the Township board who were interested in finishing out the remaining amount of his term, until November 20, 2024. At this time there were 5 candidates that applied.

Rodney Meeks, Chad Rodgers, Michelle Johnson, Norman Schutte, Jr. and Sandra McLaughlin. All the candidates were residents of Madison Charter Township. The day before the special board meeting candidate Sandra McLaughlin withdrew her name from the list, citing conflict of interest. Today the board will interview all four of the remaining candidates in person before voting to appoint one person to the open Board Trustee position. Each candidate was asked to give an opening statement, introducing themselves and telling the board why they wanted to fill the Trustee position. The following three questions were asked of each candidate:

- **1). In the last year, how many township board meetings, township committee meetings or other types of participation in the township, including working elections, and or cleanup volunteer have you attended or participated in?**
- **2). What is your current work schedule and availability to attend meetings at different times of the day or evenings?**
- **3). What do you feel is the most important subject matter that is facing the township board or that the township board is dealing with at this time?**

Depending on their answers, other board members asked for further clarification of their answers, or answered questions the candidates had.

After all the candidates were given ample time to speak, the board did a roll call vote as follows:

Griewahn – Meeks; Gregg – Rodgers; Moden – Meeks; Benschoter – Meeks; Carpenter – Rodgers; Bales – Rodgers.

Meeks – 3 votes
Rodger – 3 votes
Schutte – 0 votes
Johnson – 0 votes

Tie vote – Per legal council a second vote should be taken and if it is still tied, names should be put in hat and the first name drawn is the winner.

Second vote was taken:

Griewahn – Meeks; Gregg – Rodgers; Moden – Meeks; Benschoter – Meeks; Carpenter – Rodgers; Bales – Rodgers.

Meeks – 3 votes
Rodger – 3 votes

Both names were put in a hat, Rodney Meeks drew a name out and it was Chad Rodgers.



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Griewahn made a motion, seconded by Carpenter, to appoint Chad Rodgers to the open position of Board Trustee for the remainder of the election term,

Roll Call vote: Griewahn, yes; Gregg, yes; Moden, yes; Benschoter, yes; Carpenter, yes; Bales, yes. Passed 6-0

Griewahn made a motion, seconded by Benschoter, that Chad Rodgers also be assigned to the open committee positions on Personnel Committee and Fire/Police Committee.

Roll Call vote: Griewahn, yes; Gregg, yes; Moden, yes; Benschoter, yes; Carpenter, yes; Bales, yes. Passed 6-0

ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS: None

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS:

Motion by Benschoter, seconded by Carpenter, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-Yes, 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Submitted by:

Janet Moden
Township Clerk