



# CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MADISON

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## TRUSTEES

Howard Bales  
Matt Carpenter  
Ralph Benschoter  
Chad Rodgers

Madison Township Board Meeting  
Held in Person and Electronically (Zoom)  
Minutes of July 11, 2023

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, Carpenter; absent was Benschoter and Bales.

### APPROVAL OF BOARD MTG MINUTES 6/13/23:

Motion by Rodgers, supported by Gregg to dispense reading and approve the monthly Board meeting minutes as written for 6/13/2023. Motion was carried 5-0.

### AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

**PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:** Announce that the next board meeting will be held on Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup> due to the election being held on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Committee roles and responsibilities are being worked on with Burke Castleberry.

Board of Review will be held on Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup>.

There is an opening on the Planning Commission if anyone one is interested.

### INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS: None

### LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

### 3-MINUTE DEPT. HEAD UPDATES:

**Fire:** Nic stated that the dept had been busy with wheat field fires lately, they intend to run an EMT class in August and also one in October. They would also like to host the fire investigator and fire instructor classes at the station this year.



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**Police:** New officer, Ben Oram attended SRO training and is already working with the school.

**Water/Sewer:** Watterson stated that the water sample on the new well came back good, now we are waiting on EGLE who has it under review. Tim met with Tetra Tech and everything is moving forward. No sewer flow data yet, usually takes 90 days.

**Inspection:** Rincon not available due to death in family.

**Legal:** Draft of the WalMart appeal is expected to be filed next week.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion by Rodgers, supported by Carpenter to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; and Carpenter, Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**OLD BUSINESS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Review/Authorize Miller Canfield Water Bonding Agreement**

Motion by Carpenter, supported by Rodgers that we enter into the agreement for Steve Mann, attorney for Miller Canfield to represent the township in obtaining bonds for the new water/sewer project, and that Gary Griewahn is authorized by the board to sign such agreement that has been reviewed by our township lawyer, Castleberry. Roll call vote: Griewahn, Yes; Gregg, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; and Carpenter, Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS:**

**Griewahn:** Announced that the bridge over the railroad on U.S. 223 will be replaced next year according to MDOT.

**Moden:** Spoke about the massive flux of ideas that are still swirling around in Lansing and the County regarding the election changes that were voted in last November. The 9 days of "early voting" are being looked at to be done by the county in a central location, and not at the township polling places. The townships would only host the election day voting as it had before, but the township would have to pay the county for the 9 days of early voting they would be doing.

Contracts have not been settled on, or costs to the townships as of yet, the County hopes to have something nailed down by September.

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS:**



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Janet Bunch, resident, asked if we were still going to have elections here at the township hall on election day. Clerk answered yes.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT/RECESS:** Motion by Rodgers, seconded by Gregg, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-Yes; 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

Janet Moden  
Township Clerk