



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MADISON

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Madison Township Special Board Meeting Held in Person and Electronically (Zoom) Minutes of August 23, 2023

8:00 a.m. Special Board Meeting called to order, with a silent prayer, and pledge to the flag said by all.

ROLL CALL:

Present in person: Griewahn, Moden, Rodgers, Benschoter, Carpenter; absent was Gregg and Bales.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS: None

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS: None

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: None

OLD BUSINESS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Early Voting Contract with Lenawee County:

Moden explained the plan by the County to run the 9-day early voting in the future, they have asked the board to sign a contract with them for a two-year period that approves the costs that they have approximated will be needed from the Township to handle all of these responsibilities. Motion by Carpenter, supported by Rodgers to approve the contract with Lenawee County for a period of two years, that has been looked over by legal counsel for the township, and Moden, Clerk to sign the acceptance. Roll Call Vote: Griewahn, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; and Carpenter, Yes. Motion Carried 5-0



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Renewal Bids for Short Term & Long-Term Disability - Hartford vs. MetLife Quote

Clerk Moden presented the renewal documents from Hartford Ins, our current carrier for STD/LTD disability coverage. After seeing the almost 40% increase in premiums to renew, First Insurance got another quote from MetLife for the same coverage that will save us over \$6000.00 per year in premiums.

Motion by Rodger, supported by Benschoter to change our disability coverage with Hartford to MetLife effective 9/1/2023. Roll Call Vote: Griewahn, Yes; Moden, Yes; Rodgers, Yes; Benschoter, Yes; and Carpenter, Yes. Motion Carried 5-0

A check with Tecumseh City found that they also use Hartford and have also had increase.

ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS:

Moden: Moden asked the board members present to explain exactly how a request by an employee for a training for \$150.00 caused us to have 2 personnel meetings to discuss when those meetings cost the township \$150 in meeting fees for 8/14 and 8/22, with no action taken. She reiterated the approval of training for employees lies at the approval of the Dept. Manager, and if they have concerns, it is their job to bring it to the board's attention, as appropriate. One employee cannot be treated any differently than all of the other employees regarding their employment. This has never been an issue in the Police, Fire or Water dept in the past that the Personnel Committee was involved with what training was appropriate.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT/RECESS: Motion by Rodgers, seconded by Benschoter, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-Yes; 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.

Submitted by:

Janet Moden
Township Clerk