

Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 24, 2023
Time: 5:00 pm

Call to Order: 5:00 pm Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Jay Kangas- Supervisor, Mary Segalin-Clerk, Maria Graser- Treasurer

Trustees: Brenda Aili-Angus, James Simmons, Kevin Lyons, Gabe Justinak

Absent: None

Also present: Gregory DeGrave

Amendments to Agenda: Communications: Unapproved Planning Commission minutes from July 20, 2023. New Business: Vactor truck. Fire Dept: Monthly report plus requesting approval for new FD member. A motion was made by Simmons supported by Aili-Angus to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: (3-minute limit) A resident had expressed his feelings regarding a seasonal township worker with possible upcoming prosecution and safety concerns.

Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Graser supported by Simmons to accept the minutes from the Regular board meeting on July 10, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund vouchers: 49723-49759, € 46, eft-372-375- \$58,218.55. A motion was made by Simmons supported by Graser to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Appearances: None

Communications: The board discussed the future changes to the current Zoning Ordinance. The board asked the Supervisor, Treasurer & Clerk to put into writing the changes they would like to see and bring them back to the Township Board for direction they want the Planning Commission board to take. A motion was made by Segalin supported by Lyons to place the Planning Commission July 20, 2023 unapproved minutes on file. Motion carried.

Old Business: The board discussed the Range Bank banking options. The new bank will allow all monies to be insured and simplified for the Treasurer. A motion was made by Simmons supported by Segalin to add Range Bank (Marquette, MI) to be a new depository. A resolution will be done for the next Board meeting to be held 8/14/2023. Motion carried.

New Business: A motion was made by Graser supported by Lyons to adopt Resolution 2023-06- General Fund Budget amendment. Motion carried on a roll call vote. All Ayes.

A motion was made by Segalin supported by Justinak to adopt Resolution 2023-07- Road Millage Renewal proposal. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Segalin, Justinak, Kangas, Lyons, Simmons, Graser- Ayes. Aili-Angus- Nay.

After much discussion, a motion was made by Graser supported by Simmons to allow the purchase of a 2004 Vactor Truck from McQueen Equipment (Bob Larson), St. Paul, MN. The cost is approximately \$145,000, payable within a 3 year pay option, with funds from the water and sewer funds as well as possibly using some ARPA Funds. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Reports:

Supervisor: There will be a hearing soon giving ownership of the Mobile Home units to the Township. The contractors will be starting the mobile home clean up in the middle of August.

Treasurer: Graser attended an MTA training in Harris, MI last week.

A motion was made by Segalin supported by Lyons to place the June 30, 2023 Treasurer's report on file. Motion carried.

Clerk: Segalin attended an MTA training in Harris, MI last week.

A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to place the June 30, 2023 Balance sheets and all funds Financial Statements on file. Motion carried.

Trustees:

Justinak: Nothing to report

Lyons: Lyons had asked if the Airport Park (Kids area) could get wood chips laid. Graser stated that the woods chips are not allowed due to possible injury. A rubber like substance is the replacement recommended. Kangas will look into this further.

Aili-Angus: Aili-Angus attended the MTA training in Harris, MI., a Solid Waste mtg also. She also requested to Graser if the meetings could be put on the LED sign for future meetings.

Simmons: Attended a Waste Water Special Meeting, GRWA, Highland Copper and a Veterans Council meeting.

Fire Dept: A motion was made by Segalin supported by Lyons to place the May/June monthly Fire Dept. report on file. Motion carried. A motion was made by Segalin supported by Lyons to approve of the new Fire Dept. member- Crosby Hoehne. Motion carried.

Public comment: No comment

Adjournment: A motion was made by Segalin supported by Lyons to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 pm. Motion carried.

Jay Kangas, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk