

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO

Work Session

May 14, 2019

6:00 PM

The Oshtemo Township Board Work Session was held at the Township Hall. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell

Clerk Dusty Farmer

Treasurer Grant Taylor

Trustee Deb Everett

Trustee Zak Ford

Trustee Ken Hudok

Also present were Township Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Marc Elliott, and 6 interested people.

Public Comment

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called for public comment. No public comment.

Update from Kalamazoo County

Sgt. Johnson provided the Board with an update from the Sheriff's Department of Kalamazoo County. There are still common occurrences of ATM fraud, bicycle thefts, and mail thefts. Clerk Farmer requested that the Township request a clearance rate report to better understand how mail crimes have been prosecuted. Deputy Steve Ouding has replaced Deputy Rowe as the Community Policing Officer.

Update from Government Efficiency and Exploring Options Committee

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell presented an update to the Board about the activity of the GEEOC over the past few weeks. The Board received a table summary of factors impacting organizational efficiency and a chart of data compiled from many similar municipalities.

Other Updates and Business

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the Work Session at approximately 7:05 PM.

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Regular Meeting

May 14, 2019

7:15 PM

The Oshtemo Township Board Regular Meeting was held at the Township Hall. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at approximately 7:15 PM.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell

Clerk Dusty Farmer

Treasurer Grant Taylor

Trustee Deb Everett

Trustee Zak Ford

Trustee Ken Hudok

Also present were Township Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Marc Elliott, Planning Director Julie Johnston, and approximately 9 interested people.

Public Comment

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called for public comment. No public comment.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes - April 23th Board Meeting
- b. Receipts and Disbursements
- c. Election Tabulator Modems Purchase and Budget Amendment
- d. Banking Institution Additions
- e. Parking Lot Maintenance – Agreement and update

Motion by Ford, second by Taylor to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

West Main Corridor Improvement Authority Establishment and Boundary- Public Hearing

Planning Director Julie Johnston introduced the West Main Corridor Improvement Authority. She informed the Board that this public hearing will start the 60-day public comment period. She also clarified that the establishment of this authority will not increase taxes.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened the public hearing. Two people spoke.

Consideration of Agritourism Ordinance – First Reading

Planning Director Julie Johnston presented the Agritourism Ordinance for first reading. This new ordinance is recommended for approval by the Planning Commission.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. No public comment.

Motion by Farmer, second by Ford to approve the Agritourism Ordinance and the recommended amendment for first reading and set second reading for May 28, 2019. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

Other Township Business

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell presented the request for a resolution for a charitable gaming license from the State of Michigan for the Oshtemo Historical Society to auction a quilt on November 21, 2019.

Motion by Taylor, second by Everett to adopt a resolution of support for the request from the Oshtemo Historical Society to be recognized as a nonprofit organization operating in Oshtemo for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Bell absent.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Board Member Comments

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the Regular Meeting at approximately 8:00 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Township Supervisor