

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO

Board Meeting

March 22, 2022

6:00 PM

The Oshtemo Township Public Meeting was held in person at the Township Hall. The public was able to join the meeting through both the Zoom application and by phone. Residents were able to give public comment in person and through email during the meeting. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM.

PRESENT:

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell

Clerk Dusty Farmer

Treasurer Clare Buszka

Trustee Zak Ford

Trustee Kizzy Bradford

Trustee Cheri Bell

Trustee Kristin Cole

Also present were Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Anna Horner, Maintenance Director Rick Everett, and 4 interested people.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment on non-regular session items. No public comment.

WORK SESSION ITEMS

Employee Request for Review in Closed Session

Motion by Ford, second by Cole to adopt a resolution to enter closed session at 6:03 PM to discuss an employee review at the request of the employee. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0 with Bradford absent.

Motion by Ford, second by Cole to exit closed session at 6:48 PM.

Motion by Farmer, second by Ford to proceed as discussed in closed session with option A. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion RE: Fair Housing Ordinance

Attorney Porter presented information to the Board about establishing a Housing Commission and how to develop a Fair Housing Ordinance. This item will be brought back to the Board at a work session.

REGULAR SESSION ITEMS

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell asked if anyone present wished to remove an item from the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes – March 8, 2022
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. Budget Amendments
- d. IT laptop purchase
- e. Job Descriptions

Motion by Ford, second by Farmer to approve the consent agenda without item e. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion on Sewer Expansion Relative to County Policy on Temporary Septic Systems as well as Funding Options for Individual Neighborhood Sewer Expansions

Public Works Director Anna Horner walked the Board through the information provided in the packet, summarizing the failed septic systems that would benefit from a connection to sanitary sewer. The Board will need to decide what guidelines will be used to address emergency sewer expansions.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. Three people spoke.

Item e from Consent Agenda

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

Motion by Farmer, second by Ford to approve the job descriptions from the consent with the few suggested changes, and the authorization to reallocate dollars already budgeted. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comment

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

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:36 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Township Supervisor