

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO

Board Meeting (Virtual)

May 25, 2021

6:00 PM

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

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell- Oshtemo Township

Clerk Dusty Farmer- Parma Township

Treasurer Clare Buszka- Oshtemo Township

Trustee Zak Ford- Oshtemo Township

Trustee Cheri Bell- Oshtemo Township

Trustee Kizzy Bradford- City of Kalamazoo

**ABSENT:**

Clerk Farmer left the meeting at approximately 8:00 PM

Also present were Township Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Marc Elliott, Deputy Public Works Director Anna Horner, and approximately 10 interested people.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment on non-regular session items.

**WORK SESSION ITEMS**

**Discussion on 2022 Budget – Dept AGVs continued**

**REGULAR SESSION ITEMS**

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Minutes – May 25, 2021
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. Employee Handbook Amendment – Cell Phones
- d. Budget Amendments – Fire, Parks
- e. Policy - Sale or Disposal of Real or Personal Township Property

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

Motion by Ford, second by Cole to approve the consent agenda. Roll call. Motion carried 7-0.

### **2021 Employee Recognition**

Human Resources Coordinator Sara Feister recognized 2021 employee anniversaries. 5 years: Rick Crepas, Dusty Farmer. 10 years: Nathan Carley, Karen High. 15 years: Eric Burghardt. 25 years: Steve Hippensteel, Linda Potok, Jim Wiley. 24 years: Kevin Putman.

### **Discussion on Capital Infrastructure Funding (Continued)**

Public Works Director Marc Elliott and Deputy Public Works Director Anna Horner presented revenue options for funding capital infrastructure.

### **Request to Enter Closed Session to Discuss Written Opinion of Counsel**

Motion by Ford, second by Bell to enter closed session to discuss written opinion of counsel.

Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Farmer absent.

Motion by Ford, second by Bell to exit closed session. Roll call. Motion carried 5-0, with Farmer and Cole absent.

### **Consideration of Amendment to Ordinance 234: Cemetery Regulations- First Reading**

Motion by Ford, second by Bell to approve the amendment to ordinance 234 for first reading and set second reading for June 22, 2021. Roll call. Motion carried 5-0, with Farmer and Cole absent.

### **Public Comment**

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. One person spoke.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:30 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer  
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell  
Township Supervisor