

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO  
Regular Meeting (Virtual)  
June 9, 2020  
7:15 PM

The Oshtemo Township Board Regular 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 7:15 PM.

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell  
Clerk Dusty Farmer  
Treasurer Grant Taylor  
Trustee Cheri Bell  
Trustee Deb Everett  
Trustee Zak Ford  
Trustee Ken Hudok

Also present were Township Attorney Jim Porter, Public Works Director Marc Elliott, Assistant to Supervisor Josh Owens, Parks Director Karen High, and approximately 11 interested people.

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Minutes – May 26, 2020 Meeting
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. Month-end Financial Reconciliation Policy
- d. Hardship Assistance Review Committee (HARC) Policy
- e. DDA Stadium Non-motorized Budget Amendment
- f. SoDA Budget Amendments
- g. Public Works Budget Amendments
- h. COVID19 Return to Work Plan
- i. Invoice Cloud Program and Contract

Motion by Taylor, second by Ford to approve the consent agenda with item f removed. Roll call.  
Motion carried 7-0.

**Discussion on 2019 Annual Audit**

Ben Walker of Seber Tans presented the draft 2019 draft annual audit.

Motion by Taylor, second by Ford to accept the draft audit for submittal to the State. Roll call.  
Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

**Consideration of Resolution for Application to the Michigan Natural Resources**

Parks Director Karen High presented a proposed resolution to authorize application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) for a grant to fund land acquisition for the future Fruitbelt Trail and to match with donated funds from seller. No Township funds are required.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. Five people commented.

Motion by Ford, second by Farmer to adopt a resolution to authorize application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) to fund the land acquisition for the future Fruitbelt Trail. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Hudok absent.

**Consideration of Full Circle Communities, Inc Tax Exemption**

Attorney Porter presented the Resolution Granting a Tax Exemption to Full Circle Communities, Inc., Pursuant to Oshtemo Charter Township's PILOT Ordinance, as Amended.

Project Manager Jessica Nepomiachi presented information regarding the request.

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

Motion by Farmer, second by Ford to adopt a Resolution Granting a Tax Exemption to Full Circle Communities, Inc. Pursuant to Oshtemo Charter Township's PILOT Ordinance, as Amended. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Hudok absent.

**Consideration of June Pride Month in Oshtemo Township**

Motion by Farmer, second by Taylor to adopt a resolution to proclaim June 2020 as Pride Month in Oshtemo Township. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Hudok absent.

**Consideration of Lighting Contract Amendment**

Public Works Director Marc Elliott presented the contract amendment from Consumers Energy to the Board.

Motion by Heiny-Cogswell, second by Taylor to adopt a resolution to amend the Consumers Energy lighting contract and to amend the budget in the amount of \$3088. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Hudok absent.

**Other Township Business**

**Item f from consent agenda, SoDA Budget Amendment**

Motion by Bell, second by Farmer to amend the SoDA Budget for \$200. Roll call. Motion carried 6-0, with one absence.

**Elections Budget Amendment**

Motion by Taylor, second by Ford adopt the Elections budget amendment in the amount of \$9,000. Roll call. Motion carried 6-0, with one absent.

**Resolution in support of Black Lives Matters**

Motion by Ford, second by Heiny-Cogswell to adopt a Resolution in Support of Black Lives Matters. Roll call. Resolution adopted 6-0, with Hudok absent.

**Public Comment**

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. There was no public comment.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:15 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer  
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell  
Township Supervisor