

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO  
Regular Meeting (Virtual)  
June 23, 2020  
6:00 PM

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**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, and approximately 5 interested people.

**USDA Paw Paw Office on Rural Development Assistance Programs**

Laura Weeden from the United States Department of Agriculture presented information regarding assistance programs for home repairs.

**Discussion on Sanitary Sewer Connection Time Period**

The Board discussed the financial viability of extending connection time periods. The item will be brought back at a future Board meeting.

**Other Business**

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

Clerk Farmer presented the Board with information regarding equity training for the purpose of policy making. Consensus was to survey the Board for possible training dates and times for the second full week in July.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the Work Session at approximately 7:10 PM.

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**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Minutes – June 8, 2020 and June 9, 2020
- b. Receipts & Disbursements Report
- c. Public Works Budget Amendment re Lift Station
- d. Fire Department Policies & Procedures
  - a. Oath of Office
  - b. Medical Waste

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

**Discussion with City of Kalamazoo on Municipal Water**

Jamie Baker from the City of Kalamazoo presented information regarding municipal water quality in response to complaints and concerns from many Township residents.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell opened public comment. Approximately 3 people spoke.

**Other Township Business**

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell gave a brief update regarding the purchase of land from Kalamazoo County to the Southwest Michigan Land Conservancy.

**Public Comment**

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

**2020 Budget Discussion (continued)**

The Board received updates from the Fire Department, Maintenance, Ordinance Enforcement, Parks, and Public Works.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:35 PM.

Prepared by: Dusty Farmer  
Township Clerk

Attested: Libby Heiny-Cogswell  
Township Supervisor