

*Augusta Charter Township*  
8021 Talladay Road, Whitaker, MI 48190  
Regular Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
January 27, 2015 - 7:00 pm

1. Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call: Present: Keefe, Thornton, Hafler, Howard. Absent: Dew, Todd, Giszczak.
4. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to approve agenda. Aye: Four. Nay: None. Absent: Three. Motion passed.
5. Trustee Dew arrived at 7:04 pm.
6. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to appoint Trustee Howard as temporary clerk for this meeting. Aye: Five. Nay: None. Absent: Two. Motion passed.
7. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe for Iva Bielec to take minutes in absence of Clerk. Aye: Five. Nay: None. Absent: Two. Motion passed.
8. Trustee Todd arrived at 7:08 pm.
9. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to approve 01/12/2015 meeting minutes as amended. Added: Item 14: Clerk abruptly left meeting at 9:00 pm and Item 15: Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to adjourn 1/12/2015 Board of Trustees meeting at 9:05pm. Aye: Six. Nay: None. Absent: Giszczak. Aye: Six. Nay: None. Absent: One. Motion passed.
10. Public comments opened at 7:10 pm, closed at 7:26 pm.
11. Clerk absent from meeting/Charter Township Act. No action.
12. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Todd to have Township Attorney Fahey to go into mediation on Request Mediation/Dispute Resolution by Ex-Deputy Supervisor with Supervisor Pete Hafler present. Roll Call: Aye: Keefe, Todd, Thornton, Dew, Hafler. Nay: Howard. Absent: Giszczak. Motion passed.
13. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to approve Supervisor to continue as the contact person for Federal Surplus Assistance Program. Aye: Six. Nay: None. Absent: One.

14. 2015-2016 budget discussion. No action.

15. Motion by Howard, 2<sup>nd</sup> by no one that all contacts the township's legal advisors that will result in billable actions need to be brought to the Board of Trustees for prior approval. It will be understood that an issue may require multiple contacts. Upon Board approval of the precipitating event, the Township's Legal Agent or designee has the authority to pursue the legal resources necessary to address the issue to the Board's satisfaction, but will provide the Board with regular updates including the Attorney's written advice and/or findings when these issue require multiple contacts. Motion failed for lack of support.

16. Motion by Dew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to increase Receptionist wages to \$14.58 per hour (a \$.92 per hour raise) and to pay \$3,243.00 retro back wages while in our employ with an annual review that goes into employee's personnel file. Friendly amendment by Howard to implement the raise for 2015 but hold off on back pay until audit is complete and we know where our finances stand and our Revenue Sharing has been restored (friendly amendment not accepted by Dew). Roll Call: Aye: Howard, Thornton, Keefe, Dew. Nay: Todd, Hafler. Absent: Giszczak. Motion passed.

Replace with hand out also Amended by BOT 2/9/15.

16. Motion by Dew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to increase receptionist wages for Heather to \$14.58 per hour and also pay back the retroactive monies that she did not receive while she was in our employ which would be \$3,243.00. Friendly amendment by Keefe that this applies to the full time receptionist, accepted by Dew. Dew; add to motion also that there be a yearly/annual review that goes into her personnel file. Howard, friendly amendment to implement the raise for this year but hold off with the retroactive pay until we have completed our audit, verified our finances and have been notified that we've been reinstated with our revenue sharing. Not accepted by Dew. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Howard, Keefe, and Thornton. Nay: Hafler and Todd. Absent: Giszczak. Motion passed. //

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17. Motion by Keefe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Howard to have the Supervisor provide a Board packet that shall have Attorney-Client privileged information as well as details regarding any topic that shall be discussed in a closed session redacted. This public Board packet shall be made available to the Township Clerk for posting at the same time the full Board packets are made available to the rest of the Board of Trustees. Roll Call: Aye: Keefe, Howard. Nay: Dew, Thornton, Hafler, Todd. Absent: Giszczak. Motion failed.

18. Clerk's 2014/2015 Budget Amendment request. No action taken.

19. 2015 Trash and Recycling Services. No action taken.

20. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to accept Fire Department's report as submitted. Aye: Six. Nay: None. Absent: One. Motion passed.

21. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Howard to approve Clark Barton IV as firefighter under the condition Clark pass a medical exam and physical agility test. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Keefe, Thornton, Hafler, Todd, Howard. Nay: None. Absent: Giszczak. Motion passed.
22. Motion by Howard, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to approve warrants #15721 through #15831. Roll Call: Aye: Keefe, Hafler, Howard. Nay: Dew, Thornton, Todd. Absent: Giszczak. Motion failed.
23. Motion by Thornton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to approve warrants #15721 through #15831. Roll Call: Keefe, Thornton, Hafler, Howard. Nay: Dew, Todd. Absent: Giszczak. Motion passed.
24. Motion by Keefe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Howard to accept 2014/15 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter revenue expense report from Clerk. Roll Call: Aye: Keefe, Todd. Nay: Dew, Thornton, Hafler, Howard. Absent: Giszczak. Motion failed.
25. Motion by Dew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Todd to authorize Treasurer Dew to order checks for new accounts at Chase Bank. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Keefe, Thornton, Hafler, Todd, Howard. Nay: None. Absent: Giszczak. Motion passed.
26. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to accept Assessor's report as submitted. Aye: Six. Nay: None. Absent: One. Motion passed.
27. Motion by Howard, 2<sup>nd</sup> by no one to accept submission of the Clerk's appeal to the Public Body to reverse the denials of her FOIA requests and provide the information requested immediately. Motion failed for lack of support.
28. Public comments opened at 10:32 pm, closed at 10:33 pm.
29. Board response opened at 10:33 pm, closed at 10:34 pm.
30. Motion by Hafler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to adjourn 1-27-2015 Board of Trustees meeting at 10:34 pm. Aye: Six. Nay: None. Absent: One. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Pete Hafler, Supervisor

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Date

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Kathy Giszczak, Clerk

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Date