

Augusta Charter Township
8021 Talladay Road, Whittaker, MI 48190
Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
October 27, 2015 7:00 pm

1. In the absence of the supervisor the clerk opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Absent: Hafler.
4. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Todd to nominate Trustee Keefe to act as the meeting chair person in absence of supervisor. Motion passed.
5. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Dew to approve agenda as submitted with the following: Add: Treasurer and attorney meeting DPPT, KCI added to prepay list and Pension Plan discussion; Remove: 9B "Supervisor's Report (Not done will provide at meeting) (Supervisor's Request) Make part of the Meeting Minutes" since duplicate of 8B "Supervisor Report & Utilities Report" and 9G "Request for Court Action to Compel Clerk to Hire Deputy Clerk MCL 41.69, Motion Needed to authorize Township Attorney to draft and file complaint with Washtenaw County Circuit Court (Supervisor's Third Request) More Information Added. Plus all the emails that the Clerk has sent, stating that she does not have a Deputy" since the clerk has had and continues to have an appointed deputy as required by law. Roll Call: Aye: Dew Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Todd. Nay: Thornton. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.
6. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Thornton to approve 09/22/15 Board of Trustee Meeting minutes as amended to change the spelling in items 8 and 16 and to remove the duplicate line #22. Motion passed.
7. Public comment opened at 7:07 p.m. closed at 7:11 p.m.
8. Motion by Thornton, 2nd by Todd to accept the supervisor written report dated 10/12/15 and include it in the minutes as read by Trustee Thornton. Roll Call: Aye: Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: Dew, Giszczak and Howard. Absent: Hafler. Motion failed.
9. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Keefe to approve for payment warrants # 16605 - # 16706. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard and Keefe. Nay: Thornton and Todd. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.
10. Motion by Dew, 2nd by Giszczak to consult with attorney pertaining to DPPT collection. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.

11. Motion by Dew, to discontinue Pension Plan and rollover the 15% to the base salaries. Dew withdrew motion.
12. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Howard to accept Assessor September 2015 report as submitted. Motion passed.
13. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Keefe to approve payment of and GL coding of UMS invoice # 15437 dated 11/1/2015 for \$20,000.00 in absence of township supervisor approval. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.
14. Motion by Todd, 2nd by Thornton to recognize Iva Bielec as the Deputy Supervisor and recognize her authorization on any invoices. Roll Call: Aye: Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: Dew and Giszczak. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.
15. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Todd regarding bankruptcy notices that per township attorney Fahey's email dated 10/1/15 at 1:08 p.m. that it is important for the township to put the court on notice of any and all amounts that may be due and the priority of any claims that the township may have, therefore to implement the following process recommended by the township attorney Fahey to:
 1. Notice of Bankruptcy Petition is received by clerk and transmitted to treasurer.
 2. Supervisor (utility department manager) notes dates on water/sewer accounts, Treasurer notes petition date on tax accounts, or other accounts, recording all pre-petition and post-petition debt.
 3. Treasurer forwards notice to our office attention Christopher Patterson with direction to file a proof of claim on behalf of the Township. Treasurer includes any available records establishing the debts.
 4. Township attorney office will file proof of claim and work directly with the treasurer regarding any new filings in that bankruptcy case until the matter is resolved.

Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.

16. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Keefe to authorize Carlisle Wortman to draft the amendment for Board consideration to our Augusta Township Anti-Blight Ordinance (Part II Chapter1) to accommodate enforcement of inoperable vehicles due to the fact they are not specifically mentioned in our general ordinance for services not to exceed \$500.00. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.
17. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Howard to authorize Trustee Keefe as the UAC to forward details to Attorney Fahey regarding 9771 Charleston Lane water lien. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.
18. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Keefe to approve the OHM proposal dated 10/21/15 for services from OHM Advisors, which includes the base plan check and design engineering, services for amount not to exceed price of \$12,000.00. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, Thornton and Todd. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler. Motion passed.
19. Motion by Giszczak, 2nd by Keefe that all Board members turn off and refrain from answering their cell phones unless it appears to be a family emergency. Motion passed.
20. Public comment opened at 8:30 p.m. closed at 8:32 p.m.
21. Board response to Public Comments
22. Motion to adjourn by Giszczak, 2nd by Keefe at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Pete Hafler, Supervisor

Date

Kathy Giszczak, Clerk

Date