

**Augusta Charter Township**  
8021 Talladay Road, Whittaker, MI 48190  
Regular Board of Trustees Meeting  
January 11, 2016 7:00 pm

1. In the absence of the supervisor the clerk opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe, and Thornton. Absent: Hafler and Todd.
4. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Howard to nominate Trustee Keefe to act as chairperson in absence of supervisor. Motion passed.
5. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dew to approve agenda as submitted with the following amendments:

**To Add:**

Security Access for Election Assistant per request submitted 12/22/2015 at 11:51 am prior to the deadline.

**To remove:**

8A Deputy Supervisor's Wages per Board of Trustee's elimination of budget and its continued consideration to hire a Superintendent.

8B Request for Court Action to Compel Clerk to Hire Deputy Clerk MCL 41.69, as the Clerk has an appointed Deputy Clerk as of 10/2013. Motion passed.

6. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to approve 12/15/15 Board of Trustee Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion passed.
7. Public comment opened at 7:04 p.m. closed at 7:13 p.m.
8. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to authorize the township attorney to commence actions necessary to obtain restitution of losses resulting from the former deputy treasurer action including contacting the township insurance company. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.
9. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to have supervisor (the personnel director) and treasurer (the personnel manager) contact the township attorney to discuss employment issues raised by recent emails. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.

10. Motion by Dew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton to purchase equipment/furnishings pictured and described from Lake Trust, disassemble at the purchase location, move to storage, move to township, remove existing walls and carpet at hall, dispose of existing walls and carpet, and install new walls and equipment, \$2,750. To be paid at time of sale, friendly amendment by Giszczak accepted to authorize as a one-time only prepay. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.
11. Motion by Dew, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to sand and refinish township hardwood floors for not to exceed \$3,000, friendly amendment accepted by Dew to authorize as a one-time only prepay to Steven Renodin and authorize a POD as needed. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.
12. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dew to approve Hall Cleaning bid with Populist Cleaning Company for cleaning service twice per week at \$550.00 per week. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak and Keefe. Nay: Howard and Thornton. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.
13. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to approve not to exceed \$350.00 for fence supplies for Childs cemetery due to vandalism and to be reimbursed through expense report submission not later than Monday February 15, 2016. In addition to include previously approved of \$250.00 for maintenance supplies also due by expense report by February 15, 2016. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.
14. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Howard to authorize Board of Trustee members to discuss cemetery ordinance with attorney prior to Boards introduction of the ordinance. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.
15. Motion by Howard, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton Public Act 39 of 1976, MCL 400.571, et seq. authorizes a township to appropriate funds to private nonprofit organization for the purposes of planning, coordination and providing services to older persons. Augusta Charter Township has held a practice of budgeting and appropriating the amount of \$3,000 each fiscal year from their General fund to the Lincoln Golden Ages Senior Center (LGA) to provide social; recreational and informational and meal services to the community's older citizens. Because of the lack of financial reports and state required fiscal audits, Augusta Township refrained from allotting their standard appropriation for the fiscal year of 2014-2015 and has not yet made one for the fiscal year 2015-2016. Therefore it is moved that the Augusta Charter Township board provide the amount of \$3,500.00 to the

Lincoln Golden Ages Senior Center for the provision of planning, coordinating and providing services to the Members of the Lincoln Golden Ages Senior Center, for the fiscal year April 2015-March 2016.

In return Augusta Township requires a written report summarizing the planning and coordination activities that occur on behalf the members of LGA and what services and activities were conducted for the members thru the period ending 3/31/16. This report will be due to the Augusta Charter Township board of Trustees on December 1<sup>st</sup> which will allow the LGA Senior Center to present a complete summary of these activities for the calendar year and for the board of Trustees to review the information as they complete preparations of their next fiscal year budget that must be adopted by March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Friendly amendment Giszczak accepted by Howard to authorize as a one-time only prepay. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.

16. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keefe to approve expense for MTA Annual workshops not to exceed enrollment and parking and reimbursed through expense report submission by February 15, 2016. Friendly amendment Thornton accepted by Giszczak to include mileage. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard, Keefe and Thornton. Nay: None. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.

17. Motion by Giszczak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dew to authorize that in the absence of Supervisor Hafler for Stanley Security to set up Julie Horn with a township hall office security pass code. Further to authorize the clerk to have the clerks master key copied for Election Assistant Julie Horn. Roll Call: Aye: Dew, Giszczak, Howard and Keefe. Nay: Thornton. Absent: Hafler and Todd. Motion passed.

18. Public comment opened at 8:24 p.m. closed at 8:26 p.m.

19. Motion to adjourn by Keefe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Howard at 8:26 p.m.

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