

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
March 7, 2022 - 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Rick Hamill, Supervisor
Tami Flowers, Clerk
Jennifer Frederick, Treasurer
Judy Cooper, Trustee
Brian Howe, Trustee
Beth Lewis, Trustee
Joseph Salvia, Trustee - Absent

Also Present: Ken Chapman, Fire Chief
Lisa Hamameh, Township Attorney
Matt Snyder, Lieutenant OCSO
Beth Corwin, Planning Director

Visitors: 42

Approval of Agenda:

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

Consent Agenda Approval:

- a) February 7, 2022 Board of Trustees Minutes
- b) February 7, 2022 Board of Trustees Closed Session Minutes
- b) List of Bills dated 02/24/22 and 03/10/22 plus additions

Receive and File:

Building Department Report – January 2022
Financial Report – January 2022
Fire Department Report – January 2022
Library Board Minutes – January 4, 2022
Library Director’s Report – January and February 2022
Ordinance Enforcement and Inspections – January and February 2022
Sheriff Department Report – 2021 Year-End and January 2022
Treasurer’s Report – January 2022

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

Announcements and Information Inquiry:

- a) Volunteer Fair Wednesday, March 23, 2022 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, 205 W Livingston, Highland Mi
- b) Special Board Meeting, March 21st 6:30 pm. Agenda will be emailed.

Highland Garden Club Meeting is March 21, 2022.

Public Comment:

Update given regarding the progress on the Community Sharing Building. Several comments concerning the Mantua Property rezoning.

Presentation:

- a) Fire Department

Pending Business:

- a) Consider Adoption of Zoning Amendment Z-025 an Ordinance to Amend the Charter Township of Highland Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 25 of the General Code of Ordinances) by revising Article 4, District Regulations to Amend Use List for RM, Multiple-Family Residential Zoning District, Article 6, Special Land Use Procedures and Standards to Eliminate the Requirement for Public Hearing Before the Board of Trustees; Article 8, General Provisions to Amend Rules about Generators and Article 9, District Specific Regulations to Remove Redundant Intent Statement.

Mrs. Cooper moved to adopt Zoning Amendment Z-025 an Ordinance to Amend the Charter Township of Highland Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 25 of the General Code of Ordinances) by revising Article 4, District Regulations to Amend Use List for RM, Multiple-Family Residential Zoning District, Article 6, Special Land Use Procedures and Standards to Eliminate the Requirement for Public Hearing Before the Board of Trustees; Article 8, General Provisions to Amend Rules about Generators and Article 9, District Specific Regulations to Remove Redundant Intent Statement. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

- b) Consider Adoption of Zoning Amendment Z-026 to rezone Parcel 11-21-426-014 (vacant Enterprise Drive 16.23 acres) from Current zoning of C-2, General Commercial Zoning District to IM, Industrial Manufacturing Zoning District for property as requested by applicant. Owner: Tippecanoe Properties.

Mr. Hamill moved to adopt Zoning Amendment Z-026 to rezone Parcel 11-21-426-014 (vacant Enterprise Drive 16.23 acres) from Current zoning of C-2, General Commercial Zoning District to IM, Industrial Manufacturing Zoning District for property as requested by applicant. Owner: Tippecanoe Properties. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

New Business:

- a) Introduce Board Ordinance No. 471, Gas Franchise Ordinance granting to Grantee Energy Company, its successors and assigns, the right and authority to lay, maintain and commercially operate gas lines and facilities including but not limited to mains, pipes, services and on, under, along, and across public places including but not limited to highways, streets, alleys, bridges, and waterways, and to conduct a local gas business in the Charter Township of Highland, Oakland County, Michigan for a period of thirty years.

Mr. Hamill moved to Introduce Board Ordinance No. 471, Gas Franchise Ordinance granting to Grantee Energy Company, its successors, and assigns, the right and authority to lay, maintain and commercially operate gas lines and facilities including but not limited to mains, pipes, services and on, under, along, and across public places including but not limited to highways, streets, alleys, bridges, and waterways, and to conduct a local gas business in the Charter Township of Highland, Oakland County, Michigan for a period of thirty years. Ms. Frederick supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

- b) Introduce of Zoning Amendment Z-027 to rezone Parcel 11-8-400-004 (vacant Middle Road 122.5 acres) from ARR, Agricultural and Rural Residential Zoning District to R-1.5, Single Family Residential Zoning District. The designation for the property is Small to Medium Single Family Residential (Open Space). Owner: Mantua Properties.

Mr. Hamill moved to Introduce of Zoning Amendment Z-027 to rezone Parcel 11-8-400-004 (vacant Middle Road 122.5 acres) from ARR, Agricultural and Rural Residential Zoning District to R-3, Single Family Residential Zoning District as recommended by the Planning Commission. The designation for the property is Small to Medium Single Family Residential (Open Space). Owner: Mantua Properties. Ms. Frederick supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

- c) First Amended Interlocal Agreement for the Formation of an ACT 196 Authority to Provide Transportation Services – WOTA

Mr. Hamill moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the First Amended Interlocal Agreement for the Formation of an ACT 196 Authority to Provide Transportation Services – WOTA as presented. Mrs. Lewis supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

- d) Cost Participation Agreement 2022 Gravel Road Program Charter Township of Highland Board Project No. 56732

Mr. Hamill moved to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Cost Participation Agreement 2022 Gravel Road Program Charter Township of Highland Board Project No. 56732 as presented. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

e) Road Commission for Oakland County 2022 Dust Control Program

Mr. Hamill moved to approve the Road Commission for Oakland County 2022 Dust Control Program with five blanket applications in the amount of \$55,202.07. Mrs. Lewis supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

Mr. Hamill moved to approve private road dust control reimbursement at the rate of \$0.30 per lineal foot or 50% of the total private contractor bill, whichever is less. Mrs. Cooper supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

f) Purchase Sheriff Department Security Cameras

Mr. Hamill moved to waive the Highland Township Purchasing Policy for the Substation security cameras. Ms. Frederick supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

Mr. Hamill moved to approve the purchase of Interview Rooms, Detention Cell and Building Security Cameras at the Substation in the amount of \$30,970.00. Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

g) Budget Amendment - Police Security Cameras

Mr. Hamill moved to approve the Budget Amendment - Police Security Cameras as presented. Mrs. Lewis supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

h) Resolution 22-04 to Designate Temporary Polling Location for August 2, 2022 Primary Election

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Resolution 22-04 to Designate Temporary Polling Location for August 2, 2022 Primary Election as presented. Mrs. Lewis supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

i) ARPA Funds Discussion

Discussion regarding potential projects for ARPA Funds.

Possible Closed Session:

- a) Motion to recess into closed session to consider the purchase of real property in accordance with MCL 15.2681(d)
- b) Motion to recess into closed session for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement in accordance with MCL 15.268(1)(c)

Mr. Hamill moved to recess into closed session to consider the purchase of real property in accordance with MCL 15.268(d). Ms. Frederick supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes, Salvia – yes.

Mr. Hamill moved to recess into closed session for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement in accordance with MCL 15.268(1)(c). Mr. Howe supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

The Board went into closed session at 9:11 p.m. to 9:37 p.m.

Open Session

Consider Letter of Agreement Between Charter Township of Highland and Highland Township Michigan Association of Fire Fighters

Mr. Hamill moved to approve the Letter of Agreement Between Charter Township of Highland and Highland Township Michigan Association of Fire Fighters. Mrs. Cooper supported, and the motion carried with the following roll call vote: Hamill – yes, Flowers – yes, Frederick – yes, Cooper – yes, Howe – yes, Lewis – yes.

Adjourn:

Supervisor Hamill adjourned the meeting at 9:39 p.m.



Tami Flowers, MiPMC
Highland Township Clerk



Rick A. Hamill
Highland Township Supervisor