

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HIGHLAND  
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
November 14, 2022 - 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 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

Also Present: Lieutenant Matt Snyder

Visitors: 6

**Approval of Agenda:**

Mr. Hamill added New Business Item 9 k – Resolution 22-20 to Amend Oakland County Sheriff’s Office 2022-2024 Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Charter Township of Highland and Item l – Approve Promotion of Nick George to Fire Chief as of January 1, 2023. Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Mr. Salvia 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.

**Consent Agenda Approval:**

**Approve:**

- a) Board of Trustees Minutes dated October 24, 2022
- b) List of Bills dated November 3, 2022 and November 17, 2022 plus additions
- c) Resolution 22-14 2022 Winter Tax Roll Special Assessments
- d) 2023 Holidays and Meeting Schedule

**Receive and File:**

Activity Center Director’s Report – October 2022  
Building Department Report - October 2022  
Downtown Development Authority Minutes – September 21, 2022  
Fire Department Report – October 2022  
Library Board Minutes – October 2022  
Library Director’s Report – November 2022  
Sheriff’s Department Report – September and October 2022

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the Consent Agenda 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, Salvia – yes.

**Announcements and Information Inquiry:**

- a) Highland Township Offices will be closed on November 24 and 25, 2022 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday
- b) Ladies Night Out – November 15, 2022
- c) Small Business Saturday – November 26, 2022
- d) Festival of Trees – December 1-31, 2022
- e) Kris Kringle Market and Tree Lighting – December 5, 2022

**Public Comment:**

Ms. Frederick congratulated her staff member, Chantelle Green, who received her Michigan Certified Professional Treasurer from the Michigan Municipal Treasurers Association. It was huge commitment and took three years to accomplish. She feels lucky to have both her staff members. Mr. Salvia thanked the VFW and the Huron Valley Amvets for supporting the honors at the Township Memorial. He was disappointed in the number of participants. Tomorrow the Honors Team and Color Guard will finish 22 Veteran Recognition Ceremonies. Mrs. Flowers thanked everyone for their support for the election. It was a record setting election in some ways.

**Public Hearing**

- a) 2023 Highland Township Budget

Public hearing regarding the 2023 Budget was open at 6:44 p.m. The public hearing was closed at 6:45 p.m. There was no public comment.

- b) Community Development Block Grant Funds 2023 Application

Public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant Funds 2023 Application was open at 6:47 p.m. The public hearing was closed at 6:48 p.m. There was no public comment.

**New Business:**

- a) Budget Amendment-Building Department and Election Reimbursement

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the Budget Amendment-Building Department and Election Reimbursement 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, Salvia – yes.

- b) Budget Amendment-Fire Operations

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the Budget Amendment-Fire Operations 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, Salvia – yes.

- c) Budget Amendment-Fire Capital Fire Station 2

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the Budget Amendment-Fire Capital Fire Station 2 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, Salvia – yes.

d) Approve 2023 Highland Township Budget

Mr. Howe moved to approve the 2023 Highland Township Budget as presented. Mr. Salva 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.

e) Resolution 22-15 2023 General Appropriations Act

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Resolution 22-15 2023 General Appropriations Act as amended. 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, Salvia – yes.

f) Resolution 22-16 to Opt-Out of PA 152 of 2011

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Resolution 22-16 to Opt-Out of PA 152 of 2011 as presented. Mr. Salvia 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.

g) Resolution 22-17 Performance Resolution for Michigan Department of Transportation

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Resolution 22-17 Performance Resolution for Michigan Department of Transportation 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, Salvia – yes.

h) Resolution 22-18 Community Development Block Grant Funds 2023 Application

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Resolution 22-18 Community Development Block Grant Funds 2023 Application 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, Salvia – yes.

i) Resolution 22-19 Charitable Gaming License for U CAN-CER-VIVE

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve Resolution 22-19 Charitable Gaming License for U CAN-CER-VIVE 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, Salvia – yes.

j) Add three Fire Department Positions

Mrs. Cooper moved to approve the hiring of three additional full time Fire Department positions and authorize the Fire Chief and his committee to interview and evaluate the candidates and hire them to start on January 1, 2023 at the rates provided in the memo. 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, Salvia – yes.

k) Resolution 22-20 to Amend Oakland County Sheriff's Office 2022-2024 Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Charter Township of Highland

Mr. Hamill moved to approve Resolution 22-20 to Amend Oakland County Sheriff's Office 2022-2024 Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Charter Township of Highland as presented. 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, Salvia – yes.

l) Approve Promotion of Nick George to Fire Chief as of January 1, 2023

Mr. Hamill moved to approve the Promotion of Nick George to Fire Chief as of January 1, 2023. Mr. Howe supported the motion. After lengthy discussion Mr. Hamill moved to withdraw his motion. Mr. Howe supported. A Special Board Meeting was discussed.

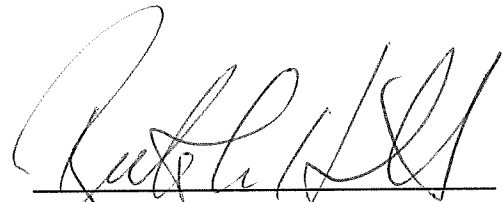
Further discussion regarding Township Holidays.

**Adjourn:**

Supervisor Hamill adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.



Tami Flowers, MIPMC  
Highland Township Clerk



Rick A. Hamill  
Highland Township Supervisor