

LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 19, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, Zach Carson with the Pledge of Allegiance To Our Flag.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Zach Carson, Bob Clark, Nancy Mensinger, Mike Essig, Amanda Drew, and John Wilk. A quorum of the board was declared present.

AGENDA: Bob Clark motioned to approve the agenda with a second by Mike Essig. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Diane Fitzgerald who lives near Livingston Beach asked the Board to direct the Planning Commission to re-zone the beach because of concerns about people camping and having fires on the beach and leaving trash .

Rick Davis commented on keeping our cemetery in good appearance

Shirley Myers commented on having a trail to the Livingston Beach property.

MEETING MINUTES: Nancy Mensinger motioned to approve the August 15, 2023 board meeting minutes with a second by Amanda Drew. Motion carried. Motion by Mike Essig to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2023 special board meeting with a second by Bob Clark. Motion carried.

BILLS: Motion by Bob Clark with a second by Nancy Mensinger to approve bills for August, 2023. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Working on meeting procedures and waiting for Williams and Works review of ordinance. Minutes of last meeting attached.

WATER PLANT/ UTILITY COMMITTEE : Assistant Water Superintendent, Toby Riley reported that the plant is averaging about two million gallons per day. A complete monthly report is attached. The Snow Road water pipe replacement project is progressing well.

GRSD: A complete report is attached. It was noted that they had 10 lift stations repairs.

CEMETERY: There were 5 burials in August. See attached report.

LIBRARY No report

MEDIC 1: See attached report

POLICE: See attached report

FIRE DEPARTMENT: See attached report.

PARK DEPARTMENT: See attached report.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT: See attached report.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: No meeting.

COMMUNITY GROWTH ALLIANCE: No meeting.

CAPITAL ALLOCATION COMMITTEE: No meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS:

After discussion, a motion was made by John Wilk with a second by Bob Clark to accept the municipal sewer and water system at the Lake Solis development. Motion carried.

After discussion, a motion was made by Nancy Mensinger with a second by John Wilk to adopt a resolution to negotiate with the Berrien County Clerk's office for 9 days of early voting. A roll call vote: Zach Carson-yes, Bob Clark-yes, Nancy Mensinger-yes, Mike Essig-yes, Amanda Drew-yes, and John Wilk-yes. Motion carried.

After discussion, a motion was made by Bob Clark with a second by Zach Carson to adopt the current tax millage rate of 3 mills. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Township resident, Micah Baggett, submitted a list of concerns and questions to each board member in regard to our fire department. He along with Brooke Janes stated that they want a termination letter from the fire department.

Shirley Myers has concerns about zoning on Gast Road with more housing in process.

Lori Davis commented that all reports should be on the township website. She also pointed out an error on the agenda. A motion by Nancy Mensinger with a second by Bob Clark to approve correction. Motion carried. She also noted that the Special Board Meeting notice was not on the website.

Angela Baggett questioned if a fireman being a board member was conflict of interest. Answer was it was no conflict

Ken Hyzer asked if the cost of maintaining the trail would be born by the township residents.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Motion by John Wilk with a second by Mike Essig to reschedule next month's meeting to Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 700 p.m. Motion Carrien.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

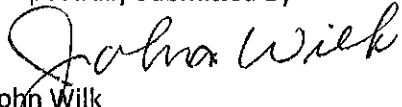
Lake Charter Township Board of Trustees Meeting – October 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Lake Charter Township Planning Commission Meeting – October 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Lake Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting – October 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT; Motion by Bob Clark with a second by Nancy Mensinger to adjourn meeting at 7:48 p.m
Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted By


John Wilk
Acting Secretary

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