

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING

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FLUSHING, MICHIGAN 48433
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES**

DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2020

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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ADMINISTRATION:

SUPERVISOR: Frederick R. Thorsby
CLERK: Wendy D. Meinburg
TREASURER: Terry A. Peck

TRUSTEES:

William Bain
Linda Minarik
William L. Westenbarger
Sharilynn K. Willette

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY:

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THIS WAS A ZOOM MEETING

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:00 P.M. by **SUPERVISOR FREDERICK R. THORSBY** with Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Linda Minarik, Fred Thorsby, Terry Peck, Wendy Meinburg, William Westenbarger, Sharilynn Willette and William Bain. Attorney Steven Moulton was also present.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER INDIVIDUALS PRESENT: Four (4)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 10, 2020:

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Treasurer Peck to approve and amend the agenda by adding under No. 12 – Reappointments to the Board of Review, Jack May, Bill Mills and Ron Voigt.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Thorsby, Willette, Bain, Westenbarger, Minarik, Meinburg, and Peck

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2020

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Westenbarger to approve the Minutes of the November 12, 2020 Board Meeting.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Meinburg, Willette, Minarik, Thorsby, Westenbarger, Bain and Peck

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve the payment of bills.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Westenbarger, Bain, Thorsby, Meinburg, Willette, Peck and Minarik

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:06 P.M.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 7:07 P.M.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

V: NEW BUSINESS:

1. Public Hearing to offer the opportunity for citizens to express their ideas on the use of the 2022-2024 Genesee County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Supervisor Thorsby

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette, to open the public hearing to offer the opportunity for citizens to express their ideas on the use of the 2022-2024 Genesee County Community Development Block Grant.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Minarik, Thorsby, Willette, Bain, Westenbarger, Meinburg and Peck

NAYS: None
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED AT 7:08 P.M.

No Comments were heard from the citizens that were signed into the Zoom meeting. Supervisor Thorsby briefly reviewed some of the uses of the 2022-2024 Genesee County Community Development Block Grant. Supervisor Thorsby mentioned using the grant for Flushing Senior Center operations at \$5,000 a year, blight enforcement at \$50,000 for the demolition of two houses on Coldwater road and \$10,000 for handicap accessibility for Flushing Township office.

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to close the public hearing.

ACTION ON THE MOTION
ROLL CALL VOTE:
AYES: Bain, Peck, Meinburg, Thorsby, Minarik, Willette and Westenbarger
NAYS: None
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT: 7:09 P.M.

TRUSTEE BAIN MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve blight removal, senior center expenses and handicap accessibility/barrier removal at the township office toward grant application of 2022-2024 CDBG Grant.

ACTION ON THE MOTION
ROLL CALL VOTE:
AYES: Westenbarger, Bain, Thorsby, Meinburg, Westenbarger, Peck and Minarik
NAYS: None
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 2. Motion to transfer the remaining CDBG funds from Handicap Accessibility Project to Flushing Area Senior Center Van Project – Supervisor Thorsby

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to transfer the remaining CDBG funds from Handicap Accessibility Project to Flushing Area Senior Center Van Project.

There was a brief discussion of various methods to provide the Senior Center with the remaining funds needed to purchase the van.

ACTION ON THE MOTION
ROLL CALL VOTE:
AYES: Thorsby, Minarik, Willette, Westenbarger, Bain, Peck and Meinburg
NAYS: None
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Motion to approve Flushing Township Meeting Dates for 2021 – Clerk Meinburg

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to approve Flushing Township Meeting Dates for 2021..

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Thorsby, Peck, Meinburg, Willette, Bain, Westenbarger and Minarik

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Motion to approve the resolution of Federal Poverty Guidelines used in the determination of Poverty Exemptions for 2021.

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to approve the resolution of Federal Poverty Guidelines used in the determination of Poverty Exemptions for 2021 with a correction of date on page 2.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Thorsby, Meinburg, Willette, Peck, Minarik, Westenbarger and Bain

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Motion to reappoint James Sarka and Edward Henneke to Zoning Board of Appeals.

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Treasurer Peck to reappoint James Sarka and Edward Henneke to Zoning Board of Appeals.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Meinburg, Westenbarger, Minarik, Thorsby, Willette, Bain and Peck

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Motion to reappoint Terry Peck to Flushing Township Planning Commission as board representative.

TRUSTEE WESTENBARGER MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to reappoint Terry Peck to Flushing Township Planning Commission as board representative.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Westenbarger, Bain, Thorsby, Meinburg, Willette, Peck and Minarik

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Motion to appoint Craig Davis and Vicki Bachakes to Flushing Township Planning Commission.

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to appoint Craig Davis and Vicki Bachakes to Flushing Township Planning Commission.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Minarik, Thorsby, Willette, Bain, Westenbarger, Minarik and Peck

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Motion to appoint Alan Fahlon and reappoint Orville Yenior to Flushing Township Compensation Committee.

TRUSTEE WILLETTE MOVED, supported by Clerk Meinburg to appoint Alan Fahlon and reappoint Orville Yenior to Flushing Township Compensation Committee.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bain, Peck, Meinburg, Thorsby, Minarik, Willette and Westenbarger

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Motion to approve update of police policies.

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to approve update of police policies.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Thorsby, Meinburg, Willette, Peck, Minarik, Westenbarger and Bain

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Motion to approve resolution pertaining to accepting written appeals to the Board of Review.

SUPERVISOR THORSBY MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to place the resolution pertaining to accepting written appeals to the Board of Review on the January 14, 2021 agenda under new business.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Thorsby, Minarik, Willette, Westenbarger, Bain, Peck and Meinburg

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Motion to approve a resolution for Consumers Energy to make changes to the existing standard lighting contract.

TRUSTEE BAIN MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to approve a resolution for Consumers Energy to make changes to the existing standard lighting contract.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Thorsby, Peck, Meinburg, Willette, Bain, Westenbarger and Minarik

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. Motion to appoint Jack May, Bill Mills and Ron Voigt to the Board of Review.

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Treasurer Peck to appoint Ron Voigt to the Board of Review.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Peck, Meinburg, Thorsby, Willette, Bain, Westenbarger and Minarik

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TREASURER PECK MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to appoint Bill Mills to the Board of Review.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Meinburg, Westenbarger, Minarik, Thorsby, Willette, Bain, and Peck

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLERK MEINBURG MOVED, supported by Trustee Willette to appoint Jack May to the Board of Review.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bain, Thorsby, Meinburg, Willette, Peck, and Minarik

NAYS: Westenbarger

THE MOTION CARRIED

VI. REPORTS:

1. Supervisor's Report-- Given by Supervisor Thorsby
Monthly Building Report
Fire Department Report
2. Clerk's Report -- Clerk
3. Treasurer's Report-- Treasurer Peck
4. Police Department Report -- Given by Chief Bolin

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 8:06P.M.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 8:07P.M.

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS

IX. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: January 14, 2021


X. ADJOURNMENT:

TRUSTEE WESTENBARGER MOVED, supported by Trustee Minarik to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 P.M.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



WENDY D. MEINBURG, Clerk



FREDERICK R. THORSBY, Supervisor

APPROVED DATE January 14, 2021

RECORDING SECRETARY: Joyce A. Wilson, Deputy Clerk
12/10 /2020