

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING

6524 N. SEYMOUR ROAD

FLUSHING, MICHIGAN 48433

SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

DATE: AUGUST 18, 2021

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:

STEVEN W. MOULTON PLLC

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- I. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** at 4:00 P.M. by **SUPERVISOR FREDERICK R. THORSBY** with Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Thorsby, Meinburg, Peck, Bain, Minarik, Westenbarger, Willette and Attorney Steven Moulton was also present.

Trustees Willette and Minarik both attended the meeting via Zoom from locations within the Charter Township of Flushing due to exposure to Covid-19.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER INDIVIDUALS PRESENT: Eleven (11)

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 4:01 P.M.

One individual made comment.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 4:02 P.M.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion pertaining to storm related property damages – Supervisor Thorsby

Supervisor Thorsby discussed the microburst that affected Flushing Township. There were at least 44 homes damaged. Consumers Energy and the Genesee County Road Commission worked several days to restore power and road access to the affected areas. The Township does not have funds allocated nor the man power to handle the help needed by residents. After evaluating the properties and consulting with Supervisor Thorsby, Genesee County Emergency Management and FEMA found that the damage did not qualify for any funding. Supervisor Thorsby contacted several tree services to gather information on the possible wood chipping and clean up in the affected areas. The tree services gave prices ranging from \$400 to \$1000 per hour. There is a rough estimated time of approximately 30 to 40 hours to complete clean up. He also stated that Emterra would also make dumpsters and trucks available if needed to haul chipped debris away. **Supervisor Thorsby suggested that a motion be made to amend the budget, authorize the funds to be allocated for the clean up of the debris left beside the roads.**

TRUSTEE BAIN MOVED, supported by Trustee Westenbarger to **make that motion and** contract with a tree service to clean up the affected areas.

After a lengthy discussion regarding the homeowner’s responsibility and any assistance the Township would be able to offer to help residents, the following motion was made.

TRUSTEE BAIN MOVED, supported by Trustee Westenbarger to amend previous motion to include a price not to exceed \$30,000.

ACTION ON THE MOTION

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

NAYS: None

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion was had pertaining to the notification of residents (signs and website), the mapping of the area affected and scheduling the clean up to start Monday, August 30, 2021.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 4:29P.M.

Five individuals gave comment.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS: 4:42P.M.

VII. BOARD COMMENTS

Trustees Bain and Willette made comment.

VIII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: September 9, 2021

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

TRUSTEE WESTENBARGER MOVED, supported by Treasurer Peck to adjourn the meeting at 4:52 P.M.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

WENDY D. MEINBURG, Clerk

FREDERICK R. THORSBY, Supervisor

APPROVED DATE _____

RECORDING SECRETARY: Wendy D. Meinburg, Clerk
08/18/2021

(Red text is amended from original copy of approved minutes.)