

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSCODA  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
AGENDA & NOTICE**

**March 26, 2021 – 1:00 P.M.**

**Watch Virtual:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89111926932>

**Call In: (929)205-6099 Meeting ID:891 1192 6932**

Posted Date: March 23, 2021

Press Notification Date: March 23, 2021

Posted By: Tammy Kline

**CALL TO ORDER**

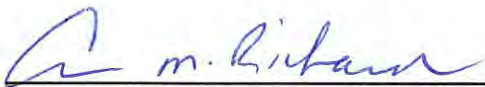
**ROLL CALL**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

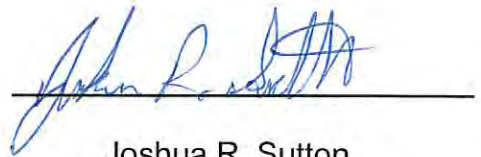
**NEW BUSINESS:** 1. To Discuss Ordinance 2021-269: State of Emergency Declaration and Continuance of Virtual Public Meetings.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT**



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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSCODA ORDINANCE NO. 2021- 269

This Ordinance, by its Declaration of Emergency in light of the COVID – 19 pandemic, is intended to allow through December 31, 2021, the continuation of virtual attendance at public meetings of the Charter Township of Oscoda by electronic means.

### **AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THEREBY ALLOWING CONTINUATION OF THE PRACTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ATTENDANCE BY VIRTUAL ELECTRONIC MEANS**

#### **THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSCODA HEREBY ORDAINS:**

##### **Section 1 Declaration Of Local Emergency**

In response to the COVID – 19 pandemic, the Michigan Legislature has amended its Open Meetings Act (“**OMA**”) to allow public bodies governed thereby to conduct public meetings remotely. However, the amendment is set to expire at midnight March 30, 2021, leaving the Charter Township of Oscoda without a viable means of conducting public meetings in compliance with current restrictions imposed by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and other regulatory bodies.

For this reason the Charter Township of Oscoda hereby declares a local state of emergency so as to approve and allow attendance at all public meetings of all public bodies within the governance of the Charter Township of Oscoda in the manner set forth in Section 2 below.

##### **Section 2 Electronic Attendance**

(A) The manner in which any individual attends any public meeting of any public body within the governance of the Charter Township of Oscoda shall be virtual by electronic means. There shall be no in-person attendance.

(B) Notice of any public meeting by any public body within the governance of the Charter Township of Oscoda subject to the OMA shall include direction to the public regarding the specific means of accessing the electronic platform being used for virtual attendance.

(C) Virtual attendance shall permit the virtual attendee to see and hear the proceedings and, when applicable, to be both seen and heard. Further, the virtual attendee must be able to identify which member of the public board or committee is speaking and how each may vote.

### **Section 3 Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon publication and shall remain in effect through December 31, 2021 unless amended from time to time as the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Oscoda determines in the best interests of the Township and/or as may be necessary to comply with the OMA or other applicable statutes or regulations.

*Above Ordinance 2021 – 269 was passed by Resolution of the Charter Township Board of Trustees at a Special Meeting thereof held March 26, 2021*

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Joshua Sutton  
Oscoda Charter Township Clerk