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Regular Board Meeting Minutes November 8, 2021

Call to Order – Ms. Richards called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. The meeting was held virtually at web address: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81360265698> Call-in: (929)205-6099 Meeting ID: 813 6026 5698

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call – Board Members Present: [Mr. Spencer, Ms. McGuire, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Wusterbarth, Ms. Richards.]

Board Members Absent:

Others Present: [Ms. Kline.], Mr. Freeman, Mr. Freel

Additions – Ms. McGuire supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve adding Writing a Letter of Support for IBT Phase 4 AuSable Township as other number 5 and a RAB update under committees.

ALL YEAS

MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment –

Brian Haley- Water Loss will be discussed tonight. We talked a couple of weeks ago about a loss of 43 million gallons. At the last meeting there was some conversation that threw off the topic. Things like running hoses and swimming pools would not account for this. In 2016 Flint brought in a big company to find leaks. Eighty-two were found in the water mains. May be loss due to new water systems.

Consent Agenda – Mr. Sutton supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve the Work Session Meeting Minutes – October 25, 2021 – Regular Meeting Minutes – October 25,

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2021. Payment of Bills (Oscoda Township) – Total - \$302,114.12 a. Prepaid – November 2, 2021 - \$224,056.05, b. Check Run – November 9, 2021- \$77,915.67, Special Check Run – October 27, 2021 - \$142.40 with corrections presented.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS AND PROJECT UPDATES: (As Available)
1. **RABB Committee Meeting-** In person at United Methodist Church or online on November 17th, 2021, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS:

Allpaid Online Payment Systems – Mr. Sutton supported a motion by Mr. Cummings to approve the service agreement with allpaid to allow the Township to offer online payments for zoning fees tracked by the Zoning Administrator with corrections.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

Library Hours of Operation Extension – Mr. Cummings supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve extending the libraries hours of operation to 5 pm on Fridays.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

Amerilodge Group Request for Purchase Agreement Extension – Mr. Spencer supported a motion by Mr. Sutton to approve the contract extension for the purchase agreement with the Amerilodge Group for the Lake St Redevelopment Site to close no later than November 30th, 2021.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

Dewatering Equipment Purchase Request – Mr. Cummings supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve the recommendation from F&V Operations to purchase the dewatering equipment from Mersino in the amount of \$52,712.99 to be paid from 1/2 Sewer Fund 590-000-974.000 and 1/2 Water Fund 591-000-974.000.

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Assistant to the Superintendent Employment Recommendation – Mr. Spencer supported a motion by Mr. Sutton to approve *Melinda Morgan's employment with a starting wage of \$17.06 per hour to the position of Assistant to The Superintendent starting on November 29th, 2021.*

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 2021-31: A Resolution Requiring Boards, Commissions and Committees to Complete Six Hours of Training Annually – Mr. Sutton supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve *Resolution No. 2021-31: A Resolution Requiring Boards, Commissions and Committees to Complete Six Hours of Training Annually.*

ALL YEAS:

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OTHER

Water Loss Discussion– Meter and line water loss. What does it cost to run sonar test? About 15 to 22 thousand. Some service line leaks were found when tested but no major leaks. Small leaks can add up to thousands of gallons over time. How often does the master meter get tested for calibration? We installed new meters without calibration. Do we have the ME Simpson Report and has everything been checked off? Not everything is checked off yet but is being completed as time allows. Continue discussion at the next regularly scheduled board meeting

Water Loss Discussion – Mr. Wusterbarth supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve *continuing conversation at the next regularly scheduled Township Board Meeting.*

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

Lab Equipment Purchase Request – Ms. McGuire supported a motion by Mr. Sutton to Respectfully decline the offer based on current purchase agreement in process.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

IBT Letter of Support – Mr. Cummings supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve the Iosco Exploration Trail Project Draft Environmental Assessment 30-day Comment Period letter as presented.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

HSRA Easement Agreement – Mr. Wusterbarth supported a motion by Mr. Spencer to approve having township personnel assist with clearing a path for an easement to the water tower for HUSRA.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

Ausable IBT Phase 4 Letter of Support – Mr. Spencer supported a motion by Ms. Richards to approve the superintendent to draft and send IET letter of Support for Ausable Township.

ALL YEAS:

MOTION CARRIED

INFORMATIONAL:

1. ACC – What's Next
2. Oscoda Township Operating Report – 3rd Quarter
3. Township Board Thank You Letter

Public Comment – Cathy Wusterbarth- Update on conversation with Governor Gretchen Whitmer when she was here about PFA's.
Brian Haley- July 12 Water Report from 2021 is where I got my numbers from on page 151. If you have a problem with anyone in town address them.
Debra Rauch- I voiced my concern with the boards decision to sell property for the hotel. Complaints about social media groups. Have complaints about harassment on social media been reported to the police?

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Board and Staff Comments –

Mr. Wusterbarth-

Mr. Cummings-

Mr. Spencer-

Mr. Palmer- Fifteen minutes before the meeting I received a message that my friend passed away last week. We had planned to get together again but never did. If you have friends or relatives that you have plans with, do not put them off because you never know when you will see them again.

Ms. Richards- I have seen many people make what I think are inappropriate comments on community chat sites, I will not ever identify someone by name. There is a lot of scary stuff in this world right now, including people being forced to decide to be vaccinated or lose their job. We are a small community; we need to work together and agree to disagree respectfully when needed.

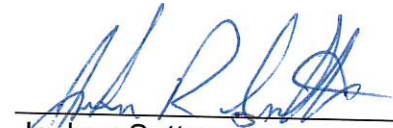
Ms. McGuire-

Mr. Sutton-

Adjourn – Ms. Richards made a motion to adjourn at 08:35 p.m.



Ann Richards
Supervisor
Charter Township of Oscoda



Joshua Sutton
Clerk
Charter Township of Oscoda

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https://www.oscodatownshipmi.gov/1/322/board_of_trustees.asp

There is a public comment period during the meeting. People that have joined the meeting via the Internet can indicate that they want to speak during public comment using the "raise your hand" function; or they can type their comments in the chat function. Those that have joined by phone will be called upon to see if they have a public comment. The Charter Township of Oscoda Board of Trustees will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon a seven-day notice to the Oscoda Township Board by writing or calling the following: Township Clerk, Oscoda Township Hall, 110 South State Street, Oscoda, Michigan 48750, 989-739-4971.

