

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YORK BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019**

The Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Tellas at 7:30 p.m. at the York Township Hall, 11560 Stony Creek Road, Milan, MI. He then led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call of Board Members present: John Hargrove, Brian Iott, Sally Louis, Chuck Tellas, Derek Stern and Helen Neill. Absent: Dan Pichla. Others Present: Four people signed in, *(list on file)*

Short Public Comments: one heard; no written petitions presented.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES:

Moved by Neill to approve the Charter Township of York Board of Trustees May 14, 2019 Regular meeting minutes, as presented. Seconded by Hargrove. Discussion: no objection. Approved by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTED AS SUBMITTED

Supervisor Tellas asked the Board for any changes or corrections to the Consent Agenda.

- C 1 Approve Disbursements: May 15-June 11, 2019, as presented.
- C 2 Recognize report from Clerk: May Revenues/Expenditures.
- C 3 Recognize Treasurer's Report, month of May 2019.
- C 4 Recognize Board correspondence, month of May 2019.
- C 5 Recognize written report from Building Official/Zoning Administrator, month of May 2019.
- C 6 Recognize written report from Assessor, month of May 2019.
- C 7 Approve Michigan Townships Association membership renewal, 7/1/2019-6/30/2020, as presented; dues not to exceed \$5,925.59.

Moved by Louis to adopt the June 11, 2019 Consent Agenda as submitted. Seconded by Stern. Discussion: no objection. Approved by unanimous consent.

REGULAR AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

Supervisor Tellas requested the Board present any changes to the Regular Agenda: discussion brought three changes.

Moved by Tellas to approve the York Charter Township Board of Trustees June 11, 2019 Regular Agenda as amended. Discussion: add to end of New Business- 1) Resolution Amending the 2019 Poverty Exemption Policy; 2) Drainage issue at Saline-Milan & Maple Rds.; 3) Bemis & Moon Rds. roundabout discussion during Cpl. Carter's report. Seconded by Hargrove. Discussion: no objections. Approved by unanimous consent.

VERBAL REPORTS

Cpl. Andy Carter, Washtenaw County Sheriff's Dept. Gave an overview of the 168 calls for service during May. Bemis/Moon Rd. roundabout: Cpl. Carter advised that motorists are moving too fast through the roundabout and failing to obey the yield signs; increased visibility by our Sheriff's Deputies, Traffic Unit and Pittsfield Twp. units is taking place. Also, Supervisor Tellas provided instructional videos that Cpl. Carter will add to the email alert system. Trustee Stern: many accidents occurring there, a Parks Committee member was seriously injured this past weekend, spoke about people not using turn signals, etc.

Tom Toth, Zoning/Building Official. Building Dept. business is down. Zoning Dept.: in court for fence issue again, adjourned to July 21st; issued a few notices for tall grass which, if not cut, Township will take care of and bill owners; Township Hall parking lot crack-sealing this week and sealcoat on Friday afternoon; defibrillator (AED) now in the kitchen of Township Hall – training was held on May 31st.

Christopher Coucke, Assessor. Supervisor Tellas reviewed written report: a result of the AMAR Review conducted by the State yesterday at the Washtenaw County Equalization & Property Description office. Everything was in proper order except one thing: an asset cap is needed within the 2019 Poverty Exemption Guidelines (added to tonight's agenda).

BOARD REPORTS

Trustee Hargrove. Planning Commission: three members found MTA’s *Intro to Planning & Zoning* workshop to be very informative; PC very happy with the office staff professionalism, feeling well-supported; draft Master Plan will be distributed to Board members for review and comments and to authorize the PC to distribute the proposed plan to the notice list.

Trustee Stern. Parks Committee: disc golf course started by Boy Scout; proposed Mooreville property; re-grading parking lots; split-rail fencing done, looks great.

Treasurer Louis. New website is up and running; researching Point & Pay as option to pay tax bills with no fee to the Township; received County’s approval enabling her to print 2019 summer tax bills.

Trustee Iott. SAFD: Special meeting held to approve the amended budget. MAFD: significant progress made with purchasing property for a new fire hall.

Clerk Neill. Auditors picked up records and they’re moving through the data fairly quickly – process can take anywhere from a month to 2 months. Special August 6th Election: working through changes.

Supervisor Tellas. Enjoyed helping build the SRP split-rail fence, a good job by our volunteers; Subdivision Road Funding meeting was well-attended, WCRC staff provided excellent presentation. On County Parks Commission 8/13 Agenda: decision for their \$17,000.00 donation, recommended by staff, for the Mooreville properties; another solar-power company expressing interest; met Trevor Feazel, newly-appointed WCRC Area Foreman for York, Augusta & Saline Twps. He’s knowledgeable, service-oriented and working to take care of road issues including: failed culverts at the Moon Rd. closure, scraping berms along W. Willow Rd., off Moon Rd. Mooreville property road cut investigation by WCRC: stake placed for driveway location, WCRC will review for approval; contacted Brent Schlack, WCRC Safety Dept.: the shallow 10-degree angle crossing of Ann Arbor Railroad tracks and Platt Rd. causing trouble for bicyclists, tires getting caught in the rails, a sign would be helpful; basic First Aid and AED training held at the Township Hall for staff, PC members; Stevens Disposal needs to double recycling fees due to having to pay more for recycling right now: consensus was to try the increase for a year since this is probably cyclical, negotiate in one year; update on Township truck, revisit its use in the near future, is used for various things such as hauling election equipment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PROPOSED MOOREVILLE PARK OFFER, MATUSZAK PROPERTY (remove from table) Supervisor Tellas suggested that no discussion nor action needed until August.

NEW BUSINESS

ENFORCEMENT OF TRAFFIC LAWS AGREEMENT, PROVIDENCE ESTATES – PROVIDENCE LANE MOVED BY LOUIS to approve an Agreement for Enforcement of Traffic Laws on Private Property: Providence Estates – Providence Lane, as presented; reviewed by Township Attorney Lillich; a requirement of Ordinance #143, Private Road Ordinance; authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign. SECONDED BY HARGROVE. Discussion: a part of the Private Road Ordinance and application that needs to be included with road permit approvals and prior to road construction. VOICE VOTE: AYE: 6; NAY: 0; ABSENT: 1. CARRIED.

PARKS: REGRADE ALL 3 PARKING LOTS PER QUOTE OPTION #1 MOVED BY STERN to purchase Option #1 of quote dated May 20, 2019 from Ron Lunsford not to exceed \$1,200.00 for Parking Lot Improvements at the Platt Rd. and Willis Rd. lots in Sandra Richardson Park and Mary J. McCann Park lot; recommendation of the Parks & Recreation Committee. SECONDED BY IOTT. Discussion: Mr. Lunsford has done work previously. VOICE VOTE: AYE: 6; NAY: 0; ABSENT: 1. CARRIED.

MAFD 2019/2020 FY PERCENTAGES MOVED BY IOTT to approve the Milan Area Fire Department's 2019/2020 Fiscal Year percentages for York Township at 27.95%, as presented. SECONDED BY STERN. Discussion: last year's was 27.37%. VOICE VOTE: AYE: 6; NAY: 0; ABSENT: 1. CARRIED.

MAFD 2019/2020 FY OPERATING & CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGETS MOVED BY TELLAS to approve the Milan Area Fire Department's 2019/2020 Fiscal Year Operating & Capital Improvements Budgets, as presented. SECONDED BY IOTT. Discussion: Trustee Iott commented that he's very comfortable with both Fire Chiefs in their preparation of the budgets. VOICE VOTE: AYE: 6; NAY: 0; ABSENT: 1. CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #2019-12, REVISED 2019 POVERTY EXEMPTION GUIDELINES MOVED BY TELLAS to adopt Resolution #2019-12, Resolution To Amend Resolution #2019-03, Poverty Exemption Policy and Guidelines, as presented. SECONDED BY HARGROVE. Discussion: Assessor Coucke's request as determined by the previous day's Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements Review conducted by the State; cap on assets needed. ROLL CALL VOTE: TELLAS, AYE; LOUIS, AYE; STERN, AYE; HARGROVE, AYE; IOTT, AYE; NEILL, AYE; NAY: NONE; ABSENT: PICHLA. CARRIED.

DRAINAGE PROBLEM AT SALINE RIVER PRESERVE Supervisor Tellas asked Preserve member, John Stanowski, to expound on the issue at hand: walkway installed at the Preserve last year, WCRC replaced the damaged culvert on Maple Rd., just to the south of the Preserve. After a particularly heavy rain in early May, the flow caused erosion damage along the pathway where the terrain drops off severely. The Preserve is asking for assistance with the installation of a culvert under Saline-Milan Rd. that would empty into the Koch-Warner Drain, east side of Saline-Milan Road. Supervisor Tellas will ask Township Engineer Peterson to take a look at the site; suggestion also to check with Township Attorney Lillich.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (maximum of five minutes). Two comments heard.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Iott, Seconded by Stern to adjourn the Regular Board meeting at 8:50 p.m. Discussion: none. Approved by unanimous consent

Charles Tellas, Supervisor

Helen Neill, Clerk

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