



Georgetown Charter Township

1515 Baldwin St., Jenison, MI 49428

Utilities Committee Meeting Agenda

September 14, 2020, after Township Board meeting adjourns

1. Notice Of Public Meeting Via Electronic Means

THE UTILITIES COMMITTEE OF THE GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD
OTTAWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE UTILITIES COMMITTEE OF THE
GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP BOARD VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS IN ACCORDANCE
WITH EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-154 AND 2020-176

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby provided that, in order to comply with recommended guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Section I.1(a) of Executive Order 2020-154 issued by Governor Whitmer on July 17, 2020, amending the Open Meetings Act to allow a meeting of a public body to take place electronically, and pursuant to, Section 6.a(2) of Executive Order 2020-176 issue by Governor Whitmer on September 3, 2020, declaring indoor events among persons not part of a single household are permitted, but may not exceed 10 people, and in an effort to reduce the likelihood of spreading the Coronavirus (Covid-19), the Board of Trustees of Georgetown Township will conduct the September 14, 2020, Utilities Committee meeting via electronic means using ZOOM on-line video conferencing immediately following the 7 PM Township Board meeting.

The public may participate in the September 14, 2020, Utilities Committee meeting electronically via the following website address: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87408373178>

Detailed instructions for joining the video conference of the meeting and providing public comment via video conference are included below.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS FURTHER PROVIDED THAT, in order to comply with Executive Order 2020-176, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING AT THE GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP OFFICE IN-PERSON

In all other respects, the September 14, 2020 Utilities Committee meeting will be held in accordance with Michigan's Open Meetings Act.

Email addresses for Utilities Committee members are:

John Schwalm – schwalm.georgetown@gmail.com

Becky Steele – bsteele.georgetown@gmail.com

Jason Minier – jasonmichaelminier@hotmail.com

This notice was posted at the Township Office on September 11, 2020 at approximately 12:00 p.m. and on the Township's website, www.georgetown-mi.gov, on September 11, 2020 at approximately 12:00 p.m.

To join the Utilities Committee meeting follow these instructions:

When: September 14, 2020, immediately following the Township Board meeting

Topic: Utilities Committee Meeting

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87408373178>

Or iPhone one-tap :

US: +13126266799,,87408373178# or +19292056099,,87408373178#

Or Telephone:

Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

US: +1 312 626 6799 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 346 248 7799 or
+1 669 900 6833 or +1 253 215 8782

Webinar ID: 874 0837 3178

For those needing TTY Service, please contact Michigan Relay Services at 7-1-1 and provide them with one of the phone numbers above as well as the Webinar ID.

Members of the public will be given the option to provide comment during the Public Comment portion of the agenda. Those interested in providing comment will simply need to utilize the raise hand option at the appropriate time. To utilize the Raise Hand feature, follow these steps:

Those that have joined electronically: Click on Participants on the Control Panel at the bottom of the screen. The Raise Hand feature will be available in the lower right corner of the Participants box.

Those that have joined by phone: Push *9

2. Call To Order
3. Roll Call
4. Approval Of The Minutes Of The Previous Meeting
 - 4.I. Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes Of August 10, 2020

Documents:

[WS200810MINUTES.PDF](#)

5. Sidewalk Waiver Request For 44th St., Property Identified As 303 Wisner.

Note: Below is an excerpt of the Utilities Committee meeting minutes of June 24, 2019 and of the Township Board meeting minutes of July 22, 2019.

#190624-04 – Sidewalk Waiver Request for 44th St.

There was discussion, including the following. This again was an area where the committee previously determined that sidewalk should be installed. In the past when the sidewalk requirement was waived with the condition that it be added in the future when there was more sidewalk to connect to, it ended up that sidewalk was never installed because everyone said that it would be the sidewalk going nowhere. A Board goal was to have more sidewalks and paths to provide more walkability. The committee should be consistent.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by Jason Minier, to recommend to the Township Board to deny the sidewalk waiver [REQUEST](#) for 44th St. on property identified as 303 Wisner.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#190722-07 – Sidewalk Waiver for 303 Wisner on 44th St.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to uphold the denial of the [SIDEWALK WAIVER REQUEST](#) for 44th St. on property identified as 303 Wisner, as recommended by the Utilities Committee, because this is an area previously identified by the committee as a board goal to create pedestrian friendly streets.

Yeas: Jim Wierenga, Richard VanderKlok, Carol Scholma, Jason Minier, Becky Steele, John Schwalm

Nays: Michael Bosch

MOTION CARRIED.

Documents:

[SIDEWALK WAIVER REQUEST.PDF](#)

6. Review Options To Add Sidewalk Or Paved Bike Lane To Cottonwood From Bauer Road To Taylor Street

Some options for consideration:

- Residents pay for sidewalk installation
- Notify residents of option to petition for sidewalk installation (Creating an opportunity for residents to finance the cost)
- Township cover cost for paved bike lane installation
- Township cover cost for sidewalk installation in exchange for addition Right of Way

Documents:

[ESTIMATES FROM ROAD COMMISSION.PDF](#)

7. Communications, Letters And Reports

7.I. Mulder Email Request For Paved Shoulder

Documents:

[MULDER EMAIL.PDF](#)

7.II. Sheets Email

Documents:

[SHEETS EMAIL.PDF](#)

8. Public Comment
9. Other Business
10. Adjournment