

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GEORGETOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD APRIL 12, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Wierenga at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer for guidance by Jim Wierenga

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Members present: Jim Wierenga, Ryan Kidd, Katherine Henry, Becky Steele, John Schwalm, Michael Bosch

Also present: Daniel Carlton, Township Superintendent

Absent: Gary Veldink

#210412-01 - Agenda as presented for April 12, 2021

Moved by John Schwalm, seconded by Becky Steele, to approve the agenda as presented.

Katherine Henry removed items 3 to 6 from the consent agenda

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-02 – State of the Township [Presentation](#) and [Financial Statements](#) by Dan Carlton, Township Superintendent

#210412-03 – Communications, letters and reports: Received for information, to be filed:

- a. [March 15, 2021](#) Finance Committee meeting minutes
- b. [March 17, 2021](#) Planning Commission meeting minutes
- c. [2020](#) Planning Commission Annual Report
- d. [Email](#) from Amy Morrissey
- e. [March 22, 2021](#) Services Committee meeting minutes
- f. [March 24, 2021](#) Planning Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals Special Training meeting minutes
- g. Ottawa County Road Commission [Speed Survey](#) and Emails for 22nd Ave.
- h. Ottawa County Road Commission [letter](#) regarding speed limit on 12th Ave. between M-121 and Port Sheldon St.

#210412-04 – Public Comments for items remaining on the agenda

There were members of the public in attendance, but there were no public comments.

#210412-05 - Consent agenda

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to grant the following.

- a. Approval of minutes of the previous board meeting on March 22, 2021.
- b. Approval of the regular monthly bills for [April 12, 2021](#), the [visa bills](#) and the [utility bills](#).

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-06 – Preliminary Plat of Sugar Maple Estates

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to grant approval of the layout of the Preliminary Plat of Sugar Maple Estates, P.P. # 70-14-21-100-095, located at Sugar Maple Dr., zoned LDR, Georgetown Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, as recommended by the Planning Commission ([plat map](#), [staff report](#)).

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-07 – Final Preliminary Plat of Sugar Maple Estates

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to grant approval of the final preliminary (construction) plat of Sugar Maple Estates ([plat map](#))

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-08 – Columbarium Units

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by Michael Bosch, to grant approval of the purchase of two more columbarium units from the low bidder, Premier Columbaria, for \$13,322.00, to be placed on the existing pad at the Georgetown Township Cemetery, as recommended by the Services Committee. [Premier Columbaria Quote](#), [Salem Stones Quote](#)

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-09 – Public Hearing And Resolution Approving The Issuance Of Bonds By The Economic Development Corporation Of The Township Of Georgetown For Sunset Manor, Inc.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to open the public hearing.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

No members of the audience spoke at the public hearing.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to close the public hearing.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to approve the [resolution](#).

Yeas: Jim Wierenga, Ryan Kidd, Katherine Henry, Becky Steele, John Schwalm, Michael Bosch

Nays: None

Absent: Gary Veldink

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-10 – Water Replacement at 8th Ave. Park

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to approve the replacement of the water service at 8th Ave Park, as recommended by the Services Committee.

Jim Wierenga noted what a nice park 8th Ave. was and Katherine Henry stated that she and her husband chose this community to reside based on the parks and the other amenities that are offered here.

[Quote](#)

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-11 – Public Comment

There were public comments.

#210412-12 – Maplewood Park Farm Land Leases

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to grant approval of the Maplewood Park Farm Land Leases as follows and as recommended by the Services Committee: to renew the lease of the 10 acres of farm land, next to Maplewood Lake, that Victory Farms has been leasing, at \$125 per acre, and maintaining it for the Township, and to approve leasing the neighboring 14.5 acres of farm land that the Township purchased in December of 2020, that Victory Farms has been farming for many years, at \$200 per acre. Note the 10 acre parcel in the Farm Land Area 1 picture and the 14.5 acre parcel is depicted in the Farm Land Area 2 picture. [Farm Land Area 10 Acres](#), [Farm Land Area 14.5 Acres](#)

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210412-13 – Discussion and General information

There was board discussion.

#210412-14 - Meeting Adjourned

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by , to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Jim Wierenga, Supervisor

Ryan Kidd, Clerk