

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ADRIAN
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL
OCTOBER 9, 2023, AT 7:00 pm

**PROPOSED/
UNAPPROVED**

Supervisor Koehn opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call was taken of the Board members present: Jim Malarney, Mike Herr, Steve May, Rob Hosken, Jim Koehn, Ray Thompson and Ben Ruesink.

Herr moved, supported by Malarney, to approve the September 9th, 2023, Board and the October 9th, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Thompson moved, supported by May, to approve all the reasonable and customary bills and claim audit vouchers paid or presented for payment. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – None

Public Comment –

Tom Magnes, 1800 Williamsburg Drive commented on the following:

- Asked what happens to the Special Use Permit issued to the Methodist Church on Bent Oak Avenue if the church is sold. Koehn stated it goes to the new owner.
- Asked if the solar farm setback is 50 feet? Koehn stated the ordinance setback is 50 feet, but the owners decided to create a 150-foot setback.
- Passed out sample resolution which he recommended the Board Members copy, sign and send to State elected officials and the committee members regarding continued local control over land use.

Supervisor's Report – Distributed

The Carson Highway Bridge would have to be moved 25 feet to not impact the Township's sewer line.

- L.C.R.C. will resubmit a plan to the State asking them to pay for the costs to miss the sewer line.

Received an inquiry to purchase 2 acres of the Township property on the corner of Hunt Road and Bent Oak Highway.

- Jim Malarney opposed selling the property.
- Steve May suggested seeing the proposal before making a decision, other members agreed.

The Chair entertained a motion by Hosken, supported by Herr setting the 2024 Budget Public Hearing to be held November 13th, 2024, at 7:30 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Attorney's Report – None

Board of Reviews – None

Planning Commission Report – Met

A Special Use Permit was for the Little Mews Rescue at 3446 N. Adrian Hwy to Donna Olsen was approved.

Fire Department Report – Distributed

Responded to 69 incidents last month.

The Chair entertained a motion by Thompson, supported by Herr, approving the hiring of FF / EMT trained Aaron Jones, a previous employee. Motion passed unanimously.

The Chair entertained a motion by Ruesink, supported by Thompson, approving the purchase, installation and filling of a 500-gallon propane tank from Baker Propane for the backup generator.

- Ray Thompson asked about conversion to Natural Gas.

- Chief Bartenslager said Adrian Electric Generator said it would too be expensive to convert.
- **Motion passed unanimously.**

Police Department Report –Distributed

Chief Elkins stated the water softener needs to be replaced at the Department.

Old Business –

The proposed paid holiday additions JUNETEENTH Federal Holiday, Columbus Day and Good Friday were discussed but no action taken, the issue was tabled.

Concerns regarding the State passing laws overriding local control were addressed earlier in the meeting with the proposed resolution presented by Mr. Magnes.

The Chair entertained a motion by Thompson, supported by Hosken, approving the 2nd Reading of the Blight Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

The Chair entertained a motion by Herr, supported by May, approving the 2nd Reading of the Civil Infraction Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business –

Supervisor Koehn passed out a 5-year Stevens Disposal rate sheet which is comparable to Modern Waste rates.

- Stated he is not in favor of the Government dictating who the resident's use.
- Jim Malarney felt the competition between companies benefits the residents.

Rob Hosken explained the GENERAL TOWNSHIP TRANSFERS TO FIRE AND POLICE document distributed.

- It shows 5 years of major expenditures funded by funds transferred from the General Fund.
- The current Township funding process works without having to rely on millages dedicated to the Departments.
- Malarney agreed the current system has worked well.

Public Comment –

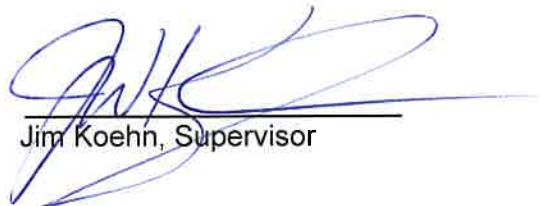
Ben Manges inquired about getting a copy of the ordinances discussed tonight. Supervisor Koehn explained that public notices that will be published in the newspaper will explain the ordinances.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:46 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Rob Hosken, Clerk



Jim Koehn, Supervisor