

2025 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees was held on April 23, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Union Township Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Rogers moved Lannen supported to appoint Trustee Ley as temporary Clerk. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Roll Call

Present:

Supervisor Mielke, Treasurer Rogers, Trustee Brown, Trustee Lannen, and Trustee Ley

Excused: Trustee Thering and Clerk Cody (arrived at 7:14 p.m.)

Approval of Agenda

Rogers moved Brown supported to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Presentation

Public Hearing

Public Comment

Open: 7:02 p.m.

Rod Bower, RCL Construction, 777 W. Maynard Rd. Sandford, MI, spoke regarding the Construction Contract Bid approval for the upgrade of Pump Station #5 and urged the Board to consider awarding the contract to RCL Construction.

Closed: 7:05 p.m.

Reports/Board Comments

A. Current List of Boards and Commissions – Appointments as needed.

B. April Monthly Activity Report

C. Planning Commission, EDA, and ZBA updates by Community and Economic Development Director

D. Board Member Reports

Rogers gave an update on the Isabella County Road Commission

Lannen gave updates on the Annual Joint meeting of Township Board and the Isabella County MTA meeting,

Brown gave an update on the City of Mt. Pleasant Commission Meeting.

*** 7:14 p.m. Clerk Cody arrived**

Cody gave updates on the Public Accuracy Testing, the Election Commission meeting, and the MTA meeting

Consent Agenda

A. Communications

B. Minutes – April 9, 2025 – Regular Meeting and April 16, 2025 Annual Joint Meeting

C. Accounts Payable

D. Payroll

E. Meeting Pay

F. Fire Reports

G. FY2025 Township Truck Purchase Approval

Rogers moved Brown supported to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Vote: Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

New Business

A. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) Second Reading and adoption of the proposed amendment to Private Road Ordinance No. 24-01

Rogers moved Ley supported to conduct a Second Reading of the proposed amendment to the Private Road Ordinance No. 24-01 to expand turnaround area design options, for smaller private roads serving up to eight (8) lots, and to adopt the amendatory ordinance as Ordinance number 25-01. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Rogers, Brown, Lannen, and Ley. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

B. Discussion/Action: (Nanney) Introduction and First Reading of Zoning Ordinance Amendments – Limited Allowance for Additional Building Height

Brown moved Rogers supported to introduce and conduct a First Reading for the proposed PTXT25-01 amendments to Section 3.4 (Permitted Uses by District) and Section 6.34 (Public and Institutional Uses) to revise and extend a limited allowance for additional building height above the maximum otherwise allowed in the zoning district for Public and Institutional Uses, Religious Institutions, Business Schools, Colleges, Universities, and Indoor Publicly-Owned Recreation Facilities, as recommended by the Planning Commission. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Rogers, Brown, Lannen, and Ley. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

C. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Fine Screen Installation Engineering Contract Approval

Brown moved Ley supported to approve the Engineering and Construction Services Contract for the installation of a second fine screen located at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$47,500 and authorize the Township Manager to sign the contract. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

D. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Pump Station #5 Construction Contract Award

Rogers moved Lannen supported to approve the Construction Contract with the Isabella Corporation for the upgrade of Pump Station #5 located on Concourse Drive in the amount of \$693,250 and authorize the Township Manager to sign the contract. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Rogers, Brown, Lannen, and Ley. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

E. Discussion/Action: (Smith) Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) ARPA Grant Division C Change Order #1 Approval

Lannen moved Brown supported to approve of Change Order #1 with JR Heineman for the EGLE Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) ARPA Grant Division C Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project in the amount of \$553,425.46. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mielke, Cody, Rogers, Brown, Lannen, and Ley. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

F. Discussion/Action: (Teall) Policy Governance 2.5 Financial Condition and Activities
Discussion by the Board

G. Discussion/Action: (Stuhldreher) Policy Governance 2.6 Asset Protection
Discussion by the Board

H. Discussion/Action: (Board of Trustees) Policy Governance 3.4 Agenda Planning
Discussion by the Board

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: RESTRICTED TO 5 MINUTES REGARDING ANY ISSUE

Open: 8:25 p.m.

No comments were offered

Closed: 8:25 p.m.

MANAGER'S COMMENTS

- Spoke on the perspective of asset protection related to pursuing civil action against a property owner for noncompliance with the ZBA.

FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Brown – Thanked Trustee Ley for covering his meeting on April 15th and spoke on asset protection.

Lannen – Gave a shout out to the League of Women Voters for organizing tonight's event at the Commission on Aging, providing citizens the opportunity to meet face-to-face with local government officials.

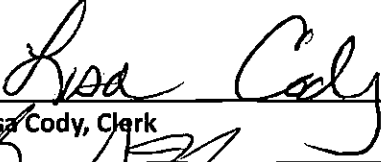
Ley – Encouraged voters to register to vote for the Special Election in May

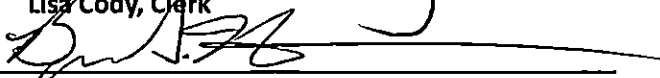
Mielke – Gave a shout out to the League of Women Voters and expressed hope that attendees waited for the Township officials to arrive at the event.

ADJOURNMENT

Rogers moved Brown supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. **Vote: Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVED BY:



Lisa Cody, Clerk


Bryan Mielke, Supervisor

(Recorded by Tera Green)