

HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting
August 17, 2023

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Terry Nienhuis, Clerk Michael Dalman, Treasurer Vince Bush, and Trustees Elliott Church, Dave DeYoung, Russ TeSlaa, and Gretchen Molotky. Also present was Township Manager Steve Bulthuis.

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mr. Bush gave the invocation.

Citizen's Comments: None

Mr. Nienhuis opened a Public Hearing to consider the 2023 Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments. The proposed amendments present various changes to ordinances that staff or our community have noted as needing consideration for revision. A committee met and developed the proposed revisions. Community Development Director Corey Broersma was present to answer questions. Mr. Nienhuis closed the Public Hearing and Mr. Bush introduced the 2023 Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments for a first reading.

Mr. Nienhuis reviewed the consent agenda.

23-82 A motion was made by Mr. Church, supported by Mr. DeYoung, to approve the consent agenda including communications (Resthaven thank you note), operational reports, and the minutes of the Board meeting held on August 3, 2023.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The Board then had a second reading and considered for adoption the Traditions of Holland Pilot Ordinance revision. The revision, requested by DevCo Development, is at the request of Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) to change the definition of "Mortgage Loan" to use MSHDA's language. The revision has been reviewed and approved by our legal counsel.

23-83 A motion was made by Mr. Church, supported by Mr. TeSlaa, to approve Ordinance No. 646 – Traditions of Holland Pilot Ordinance revision.

Roll call vote: Yes-7, No-0, Absent-0
Motion declared adopted

The next item was the consideration of a liquor license application for 12330 James St. Ste. D20 (The Lost City). Mr. Nienhuis reviewed the application for a new Class C Retail license from Township quota. Mr. Ryan Brunette and Mr. Pete Ziegler, Lost City owners, presented their plan. Board members shared comments regarding concerns about a definite plan. Mr. Bulthuis noted on the application that building plans have not yet been submitted. Board members shared their thoughts that a purchase agreement and architectural plans would be beneficial prior to approval.

23-84 Mr. Bush made a motion, supported by Mr. Dalman, to table the liquor license application for 12330 James St. Ste. D20 subject to further development in purchasing the building and building plans.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next item was the consideration of an Agreement for Early Voting Administrative Services. The 2-year contractual agreement with Ottawa County will allow Holland Charter Township to jointly operate Early Voting Centers (EVC's) throughout Ottawa County to meet the mandated election requirements of Proposal 22-2 in a cost-effective, secure, and consistent manner for voters and election workers. The estimated cost to the Township for the two years is \$55,265.00 but will potentially be offset by State support.

23-85 Mr. TeSlaa made a motion, supported by Ms. Molotky, to approve the Agreement for Early Voting Administrative Services.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

Mr. Bulhuis shared his administrative report. Steve responded to requests made by the Board. First of all, Sgt. Bennett will be at our next meeting to review panhandling in the Township. He also gave an update on park land acquisition. The Parks Committee is drafting a letter to send to potential land owners in close proximity to our parks stating the Township's interest in purchasing their property when they are ready to sell. Lastly, staff is learning how to video our meetings. Our budget session is scheduled for September 7 starting at 5:00 p.m. Committee members shared their reports and Board members asked questions.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Dalman, Clerk

Terry Nienhuis, Supervisor