

HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting
September 21, 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, and Russ TeSlaa. Also present was Township Manager Steve Bulthuis.

Absent: Trustee Gretchen Molotky

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

Citizen's Comments: None

Next the Board held a public hearing related to the proposed 2024 Budget and 2023 Property Tax Levy. Mr. Nienhuis opened the public hearing. Mr. Nienhuis reviewed a summary of the proposed 2024 Township Budget. The Board held a Budget Work Session on September 7. The proposed December 1, 2023 total ad valorem tax rate is at 4.86 mills, which is equal to what was levied to provide funding for 2023 operations and services. The budget will provide our citizens with the same level of service. Mr. Bulthuis reviewed the work session and 2024 Budget Resolution. Board members shared their appreciation of Township staff in the budget process. No citizens were present with questions for the Board.

Mr. Nienhuis closed the public hearing.

The Board then considered the proposed fiscal year 2024 budget resolution.

22-91 A motion was offered by Mr. Bush and supported by Mr. TeSlaa to approve the 2024 Budget Resolution.

Roll call vote: Yes-6, No-0, Absent-1
Resolution declared adopted

Mr. Nienhuis reviewed the consent agenda.

22-92 A motion was made by Mr. DeYoung, supported by Mr. Bush, to approve the consent agenda including communications, operational reports (Sheriff's Department Report for August), and the minutes of the regular Board meeting and Budget Work Session held on September 7, 2023.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The Board then received an update from Sgt. Brad Bennett of the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office. Sgt. Bennett spoke on the issue of panhandling and answered questions from the Board.

The next item was the consideration of a resolution to waive certain utility frontage charges. The resolution states the Township will not collect frontage charges from Consink, LLC along New Holland Street and 124th Avenue, for either the sewer system or the water system. Consink will grant to the Township a 30 feet wide utility easement for parcel number 70-16-04-100-045 and parcel number 70-16-04-100-004 and Consink will construct a new 12 inch water main within the entire length of the Easement. Mr. Bulthuis reviewed benefits of this agreement for the Township and residents.

23-89 Mr. TeSlaaa offered a resolution, supported by Mr. DeYoung, to waive certain utility frontage charges based on an appeal from Consink, LLC.

All supported the resolution
Resolution declared adopted

Mr. Bulthuis shared his administrative report. Board members shared committee reports.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Dalman, Clerk

Terry Nienhuis, Supervisor