

HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting
September 3, 2020

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

Present: Supervisor Terry Nienhuis, Clerk Michael Dalman, Treasurer Vince Bush, and Trustees Doug Becker, Norm Nykamp, Russ TeSlaa, and Elliott Church. Also present was Township Manager Steve Bulthuis.

Absent: None

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

Citizen's Comments: State Representative Bradley Slagh addressed the Board. He updated the Board on activity at the State level and bills he was working on. He also answered questions from the Board.

Mr. Nienhuis reviewed the consent agenda.

20-67 A motion was made by Mr. Bush, supported by Mr. Nykamp, to approve the consent agenda including communications (none), operational reports (none), bills and financial transactions for the month of August, and the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on August 20, 2020.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The Board held a second reading and considered for approval on one zoning request, 11069 Mason Street from AG-Agricultural to R-1 Low Density Residential.

20-68 Moved by Mr. Bush and supported by Mr. Nykamp to approve Ordinance #608 rezoning 11069 Mason Street from AG-Agricultural to R-1 Low Density Residential.

Roll call vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-1
Motion declared adopted

The Board held a second reading and considered for approval one Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance. This agenda item deals with buildings that do have overhead doors on the primary side of the street.

20-69 Moved by Mr. Nykamp and supported by Mr. Bush to approve Ordinance #609 – a Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance.

Roll call vote: Yes-4, No-3, Absent-0
Motion declared adopted

The next agenda item was the consideration of a lot split request for property located at 945 136th Ave. (Parcel 70-16-17-101-018). Present to describe the request was Marion Hoeve representing Intersection Ministries.

20-70 A motion was offered by Mr. Bush and supported by Mr. Becker to approve the lot split request as presented for 945 136th Ave. (Parcel 70-16-17-101-018).

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next agenda item was the consideration of a Resolution for Approval of Partial Termination of a Farmland Development Right Agreement due to Public Interest. The request from Mr. Lewellyn DeVries involves 40 acres of land he would like to remove from the State’s Farmland Preservation Program because he recently sold this land to West Ottawa Public Schools. A resolution is needed from the Board of Trustees indicating the parcel should be released due to “public interest”. Mr. DeVries was present to answer questions.

20-71 A resolution was offered by Mr. Becker and supported by Mr. Dalman to determine the release is in the public interest.

All supported the resolution
Resolution declared adopted

The next agenda item was the consideration of an agreement with Holland Tulip Festival, Inc. for the use of Dunton Park. Mr. Bulthuis described the proposed framework agreement drawn up by the Township legal counsel. Gwen Auwerda, Tulip Time Director, was present to answer questions.

20-72 A motion was made by Mr. TeSlaa and supported by Mr. Becker to approve the Agreement with Holland Tulip Festival, Inc. for use of Dunton Park.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

The next agenda item was the consideration of one operational and capital improvement expenditure for a proposed Water and Wastewater Cost of Service Study. The Township has contracted with Utility Financial Solutions to complete a water and wastewater cost of service study (COS), long-term financial projection, and 5-year rate design for the norther townships utility service area. The most recent COS and 5-year rate design report provides revenue and cost projections and a 5-year rate plan through fiscal year 2021. The recommendation from Township Manager Bulthuis is to approve the proposal from Utility Financial Solutions (UFS) dated August 12, 2020 in the amount of \$31,500 plus \$2600 (presentations and out-of-pocket costs) for a total of \$34,100 to provide a COS, long-term financial projection, and 5-year user rate design for the years of 2022-2026.

20-73 A motion was made by Mr. Nykamp and supported by Mr. TeSlaa to approve the proposal for Utility Financial Solution in the total amount of \$34,100.

All supported the motion
Motion declared adopted

Mr. Bulthuis shared his administrative reports. Board members shared committee reports and updates.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Dalman, Clerk

Terry Nienhuis, Supervisor