

BERLIN CHARTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING 01/08/24 PG. 1

The Regular Meeting of the Berlin Charter Township Board was held at 8000 Swan View Newport, Michigan called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Dave Reaume, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT FOR ROLL CALL: Supervisor Dave Reaume, Treasurer Deborah Masserant, Trustees Kelly Long, Robert Masserant, John Sorovetz.

Excused: Clerk Denise E. Sovey-Meyer and Trustee Jim Geiermann (was late 7:31)

A quorum was present, the meeting proceeded. Approximately 4 residents were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION #1: by R. Masserant seconded by Sorovetz to approve the agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer, Geiermann

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION #2: by R. Masserant seconded by Sorovetz to approve the Berlin Charter Township regular meeting minutes (12/11/23).

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer, Geiermann

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION #3: by Long seconded by D. Masserant to receive and file the Berlin Charter Township Planning Commission minutes (12/18/23)

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer, Geiermann

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION #4: by R. Masserant seconded by Sorovetz to receive and file the MTA Quarterly Meeting.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer, Geiermann

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION #5: by R. Masserant seconded by Long. Jim Geiermann joined the meeting at 7:31 pm.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION #6: by D. Masserant seconded by Long to receive and file the EGLE Lead & Cooper Monitoring of Drinking Water Taps.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION #7: by D. Masserant seconded by Long to receive and file the Monroe County Drain Commission notification of Necessity.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

MOTION CARRIED

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MOTION #8: by R. Masserant seconded by Sorovetz to receive and file the Meijer Distribution Public Act 198 certificate issued.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1. FARMLAND APPLICATION- JAMES & JESSICA BEACH

MOTION #9: by Long seconded by R. Masserant to approve the Farmland Application for 9860 N Dixie Hwy.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Long, D. Masserant, Geiermann, D. Reaume, R. Masserant, Sorovetz.

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

2. 2024 POVERTY EXEMPTION RESOLUTION

MOTION #10: by Sorovetz seconded by D. Masserant to approve the 2024 Poverty Exemption Resolution.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Sorovetz, Geiermann, R. Masserant, D. Reaume, D. Masserant, Long

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

3. 2024 MONROE CO ROAD COMMISSION ROAD IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

MOTION #11: by R. Masserant seconded by Sorovetz to approve the 2024 Monroe Co. Road Commission Road Improvement Contracts.

ROLL CALL: Yes: D. Masserant, Sorovetz, Long, Geiermann, D. Reaume, R. Masserant

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

4. 2024 MONROE CO ROAD COMMISSION ROAD IMPROVEMENT ESTIMATES

MOTION #12: by Sorovetz seconded by Long to receive and file the 2024 Monroe Co Road Commission Road Improvement Estimates

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

5. BUILDING OFFICIAL RESIGNATION- PAUL DELISLE

MOTION #13: by R. Masserant seconded by Sorovetz to receive and file Paul DeLisle building official resignation.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

6. MONROE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM BRANCH LIBRARY AGREEMENT-NEWPORT BRANCH

MOTION #14: by R. Masserant seconded by Long to receive and file the Monroe County Library System Branch Library Agreement- Newport Branch.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

7. MICHIGAN GAS UTILITIES FRANCHISE RENEWAL REQUEST

MOTION #15: by Geiermann seconded by D. Masserant to approve the Michigan Gas Utilities Franchise Renewal request.

ROLL CALL: Yes: D. Reaume, D. Masserant, Long, Sorovetz, Geiermann, R. Masserant

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

8. OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 324 UNION CONTRACT 2024-2026

MOTION #16: by R. Masserant seconded by Geiermann to approve the Operating Engineers Local 324 Union Contract 2024-2026.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Long, R. Masserant, D. Masserant, D. Reaume, Sorovetz, Geiermann

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. APPLIED INNOVATION SCANNER

MOTION #17: by R. Masserant seconded by Long to approve the purchase of Applied Innovation Scanner for \$9,057.38.

ROLL CALL: Yes: R. Masserant, Sorovetz, Long, Geiermann, D. Reaume, D. Masserant

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

COMMISSION AND REPORTS

1. SUPERVISORS REPORT

The Supervisor spoke on the following:

- Ron Cook from Newport Creek Subdivision to complete phase 4
- Meeting on December 20th at the Monroe County Road Commission
- Registration opened for MTA conference in Traverse City
- Fire truck arrived to Pierce

2. CLERKS PREPAID BILLS OF BILLS 12/2023

MOTION #18: by Sorovetz seconded by R. Masserant to approve the Clerk's prepaid bills 12/2023 written on check #'s 59289-59321, 59336-59390, 59411-59425 and four EFT transfers for a total amount of \$250,090.87.

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

3. CLERKS PAYMENT OF BILLS 12/2023

MOTION #19: by D. Masserant seconded by Long to approve the Clerk's payment of bills 12/2023 written on check #'s 59460-59468 for a total amount of \$6,041.06.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Geiermann, D. Reaume, R. Masserant, D. Masserant, Sorovetz, Long.

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

No: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD COMMENTS

- During Board comments it was brought up to offer the Zoning Administrator \$66.00 per meeting that they attend.

REQUEST TO SPEAK

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION # 20: by Sorovetz seconded by Geiermann to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 PM

ROLL CALL: Yes: ALL

No: NONE

Excused: Sovey-Meyer

MOTION CARRIED

These minutes are a synopsis of the comments made at a regular meeting and are not intended to represent a verbatim transcript.

Denise E. Sovey-Meyer, CMC

Sarah Masserant, Recording Secretary