

TOWNSHIP OF CHESANING
APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
August 3, 2023
7:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting: Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Trustees.

Members Present: Supervisor Joe Ruthig, Clerk Julie Paulson, Trustees: Pete Hemgesberg, Kevin Carlton, Bill Hedrich and Ken Hornak. **Members Absent:** Treasurer Cathy Gross.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was presented for approval. Motion by Hedrich, support by Hemgesberg, to approve the August 3, 2023 agenda as presented. Vote: All yeas. Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes: July 6, 2023 regular board meeting minutes were presented for approval. **MOTION** by Hemgesberg, support by Hornak to approve the July 6, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Vote: All yeas.

Presentations: None.

Correspondence: None.

Brief Public Comments: Began at 7:01 p.m. There were no comments received from the public. Ended at 7:01 p.m.

Committee/Board Reports:

County Commissioner –
County Road Commission –
SCTOA –
Cemetery-
Building Official –

Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Presented by Dan Kuhn. It has been quiet. Looked into the dog complaint, none were in the pen. Possibility of selling to Fair-goers, will look into again after the County Fair is over.

Rehmann Health Center- Presented by Treasurer Gross, read by Clerk Paulson. The Mobile Dental Clinic will be held on Tuesday, August 22nd. Any person with or without insurance is welcome to make an appointment to get their teeth cleaned and examined. Call the Rehmann Health Center (989) 845-3911 for an appointment.

Fire Board – Presented by Supervisor Ruthig. Meeting was held on July 12, 2023. There were 16 calls for May, and 100 for the year. Audit has been completed and waiting on the review. Received a grant from DNR for a Porta-tank in the amount of \$1,543.64. Three new firefighters added to the payroll. Corey Tobias, Brent Schneider, and Autumn Mahoney. Roof Work has started and should take about three weeks.

MMWA – Presented by Trustee Hornak. Ken has signed a prepared letter by The Board of Trustees of the Mid Michigan Waste Authority to The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners as discussed at the prior

MMWA meeting. The intent that the Authority be represented therefore nominating for appointment MMWA's Administrative Director, Katherine Tessin, to the Materials Management Planning Committee (MMPC). The next meeting will be held in October, 2023 at Thomas Township Hall.

Task Force- Presented by Trustee Carlton. There are issues in town with the buildings and empty lot at Front and Broad. People have moved out of the buildings, there are blight issues as well as people dumping trash behind the fenced in lot area.

Park's & Rec-

Board Officials Reports:

Supervisor: GIS meeting was on July 17th. Voted and approved to raise the per parcel cost from \$1.75 to \$2.00. We have approximately 2500 parcels in Chesaning Twp so we will see an increased cost of about \$625 or a total of about \$5,000 per year. The Saginaw County Fair runs from August 1st through the 5th. The PC meeting was last night. On going discussion on the Master Plan. Chapters 1 through 3 were reviewed and several changes were noted. Next meeting will cover chapters 4 through 7. DTE submitted an updated site plan. PC will be contacting Rowe Engineering and our attorneys to start the review process. Construction has begun on the M-57. The project should take about two weeks. Chesaning Township has signed a purchase agreement to purchase three acres of land on the SE corner of Niver and Ditch Rds. Surveying has been done and as soon as we get the new legal descriptions, we will be able to close. Plans are to use this land as overflow parking for Parshallburg Park. ZCI Feed Store has been bought and will reopen by the end of the month.

Clerk: The Michigan Department of State has developed an Early In-person Voting Webpage that provides answers to many frequently asked questions regarding early voting and early voting sites. The page is designed to inform clerks, partners, stakeholders and the public. It will be updated on an ongoing basis to answer additional questions. The link will be put up on our webpage.

Treasurer: The July State Revenue Share Check was received in the amount of \$40,460, which was down \$118 from the State Revenue Share Check received in July 2022 which was \$40,578. July Board of Review Petitions were addressed and revised tax bills have been sent out to residents who had changes approved at the July 17th Board of Review Meeting. Summer property tax collection is ongoing. Summer taxes are due by Thursday, September 14th if you wish to pay without any interest to the bill. Interest is calculated at 1% per month from September 15, 2023 through February 29, 2024. Summer taxes should be paid at the local unit (Chesaning Township Office) now through February 29, 2024 at which time the unpaid taxes will be turned over to the County and then must be paid at the Saginaw County Treasurer's Office. Chesaning Township Office will be open on Thursday, September 14th, the last day to pay taxes without interest. Postmarks of September 14th will be accepted for payments mailed in. Also feel free to use our 24/7 drop box on the front of the Township Hall Building.

Unfinished Business:

- **Discussion About ARPA Fund Expenditures:** A continued review of possible ideas for the Township's ARPA Funds, adding in the possibility of replacing our copy machines, etc. Further suggestions encouraged as we have until December, 2024 to have our projects earmarked.

New Business:

- **Consider Purchase of New Printer/Copier using ARPA Funds:** **MOTION** by Hornak, support by Carlton to purchase the Toshiba 2325ac copier with a 36-month maintenance agreement at a cost of \$5,589. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Paulson, Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Ruthig. Nays: None. 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed.

Public Comments: Began at 7:48 pm. Public comments were received by 6 in attendance. Ended at 8:01 pm.

Township Board Comments: Trustee Carlton commented in regards to land oil rights and if they transfer with the land in a contract. Supervisor Ruthig commented there must be Deed restrictions.

Approval of Bills: **MOTION** by Hornak, support by Hemgesberg, to pay the bills as presented totaling \$48,773.10. Roll Call Vote – Yeas: Paulson, Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Ruthig. Nays: None. 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed.

Adjournment: Motion by Carlton, support by Hedrich, to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Motion Passed.

Approved: _____

**Julie C. Paulson, Clerk
Chesaning Township**

Supervisor Approval – Yes___ No___

Change Requests_____

Supervisor Joe Ruthig_____ Date:_____