
Monterey Township Meeting Minutes

October 2023

Call to order, Roll call and Pledge of Allegiance

A regular meeting of Monterey Township Board was held on 10/02/2023 at 7:00pm

Board members included:

Supervisor	Henry Reinart
Clerk	Megan Frank
Treasurer	Julie DeHaan
Trustee	Eric Commons
Trustee	Jerry Williams

Citizens present: 14

Public Comment:

- Courtney Fiske (10e): Application explanation for Ordinance 23-06- Rezoning Request.
- Al Radspealer: Solar Energy Ordinance questions.

Reports:

- Visiting Officials:
 - Scott Beltman:
 - (Salem FD): Received Michigan Fire Grant of \$20,000 – will be purchasing new radios. Pipeline Grant - \$1,000, and a donation of \$1,000. Improved ISO ratings – numbers to be reported soon.
 - (HAFD): No report.
- Assessor: Compensation request discussed.
- Township Board Members:
 - Frank: Busy month. Bills/Financials/Payroll done. Q3 Newsletter complete. Proposal 2 research/Early Voting agreement created. LOTS of Early voting/Prop 2 meetings. New process for financials.
 - DeHaan: Summer property taxes due 9/14.
 - Reinart: Discussed in agenda.
 - Williams: Nothing.
 - Commons: Nothing.
- Other Township Boards:
 - Planning Commission: Met in Sept. Discussed in new business.
 - ZBA: Meet in 2 weeks.
 - Fire Board: Meets this month.
 - WAEMS Board: Met last month. Bob Hess officially retired.
 - Library Board: Could not attend. Next meeting 10/ 10.

Approve Minutes:

- Frank motion to approve the September 2023 Meeting Minutes. Commons supports. 5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved.
- Frank motions to approve the September 2023 Financials. DeHaan supports. 5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved.
- Frank motion to approve to pay the 8bills for October 2023. Commons supports. 5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Blight/Zoning Updates:
 - a. 2503 Beach Court: Letter sent. Have not heard anything from PCI. Allegan County Foundation to try to help.
 - b. 2653 134th Car Lot: PCI removed 92 cars.
- ~~b. Cemetery Maintenance:~~
 - a. ~~Stone Repair~~
- ~~c. Township Policy Book:~~
- ~~d. ARPA Funding Projects~~
- e. Digitizing Records: Books picked up. 114 books total. All books to be sent back.
- ~~f. Drain District Concerns:~~
- ~~g. Bond Management Plan:~~
- h. Cemetery Ordinance: Secretary Chris made notes to review. Megan to change.
- i. AT&T Metro Act: Henry contacted – have not heard back.
- j. 123.NET Metro Act: Agreement discussed and reviewed. To be sent to lawyers for review.
- k. Resolution 23-05 Road Millage: Verbiage to be located and reviewed. Hoping to have on Feb/March ballot.
- l. Michigan Gas Franchise:

New Business:

- a. Ordinance 23-02 Clarify Lakefront Lot Definition: DeHaan motion to approve ordinance 23-02. Williams supports. 5 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
- b. Ordinance 23-03 Amend Nonconforming Use Ordinance: Williams motion to approve ordinance 23-03. Commons supports. 5 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
- c. Ordinance 23-04 Amend A1 District to allow for different sized parcels by SUP: Williams motions to approve ordinance 23-04. Frank supports. 5 Yays/0 Nays. Motion approved. 2
- d. Ordinance 23-05 Solar Energy System Ordinance: Williams motions to approve ordinance 23-05. DeHaan supports. 5 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
- e. Ordinance 23-06 Rezoning Request: Henry let board know that he has previously hired Cathy Fiske (same lawyer here) for unrelated purposes. Board must vote and decide about Henry's vote. Frank motion to allow Reinart to vote in the ordinance 23-06 matter. DeHaan supports. 4 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
 - Williams motions to approve ordinance 23-06. Commons supports. 0 Yays/ 5 Nays. Motion fails.
- f. Cemetery Deeds:
- g. Extermination: Williams motions to have Henry contact Vandenburg Exterminators. Frank supports. 4 Yays/ 1 Nay. Motion approved.

Public Comment:

- Carl Avery: Neighbor complaint/Noise ordinance request.
- Al Radspealer: Neighbor complain.
- Pat Peterson: ARPA Funds questions.
- Heather Kholer: ARPA Funds questions/Prayer questions.

Adjournment – Frank motion to adjourn. Commons supports.

5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved. Adjourn :18PM.

Megan Frank
Monterey Township Clerk

Date of approval