

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF AUSABLE

Regular Board Meeting

Aug. 1, 2022

“approved”

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kevin Beliveau at 5:00 pm

ROLL CALL:

Present: Diana London, Yvette Ramsdell, Kelly Graham, Kevin Beliveau, Mary Jo Samotis,
Alanda Barnes, Gina Cinquino

Staff Present: Eric Strayer, Superintendent, Susie Olpere, Recording Secretary

Press Coverage: Manuela Kress

Pledge of Allegiance recited

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Barnes made the motion to approve the Agenda for Aug. 1, 2022.

Second by Ramsdell

Unanimous – Voice Vote

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS on Agenda Items: None

Approval of Consent Agenda: Ramsdell made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

Second by Barnes

Unanimous – Roll Call Vote

Motion Carried

PRESENTATIONS:

A) **Treasurer** –

B) **Clerk** – Accounts Payable, Revenue & Expenditures, Balance Sheet

C) **Superintendent** – Superintendent’s Report

OLD BUSINESS:

A) **Kelly Graham – Iron Belle Trail Update** - Clerk Graham was contacted by a resident that wished to donate a memorial bench along the bike path.

B) **Sewer Project** –

NEW BUSINESS:

A) **Extension of Sewer Project** – Superintendent Strayer received an extension request from Fleis & VandenBrink regarding the sewer project. This request is due to the lack of availability of the generators used on the pump stations. The actual pipe laying and overall construction by Elmers should be wrapped up by Aug. 15, 2022. The extension is for Oct. 15, 2022 and final payment date of November 15, 2022. Samotis made the motion to extend the contract date to October 15th for substantial completion and final payment to November 15, 2022.

Second by Cinquino

Unanimous – Roll Call Vote

Motion Carried

- C) Letter of Support for MI-Hope Grant** - Iosco County is looking for a letter of support from our Township regarding the MI-Hope Grant. This program is to fund energy efficiency activities that will benefit area residents directly or indirectly. It is also a federally funded program using ARPA funds. Graham made the motion to approve the letter of support for the MI-Hope Grant.
Second by London
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- D) Mosquito Control Millage** - Superintendent Strayer had a discussion with Benjamin Seago from APM Mosquito Control, which is the company that treated the township for mosquitos this year. Mr. Seago explained that the rate would be \$56,150.00 for the next three years because the township didn't require an area spray. To raise these funds our millage rate would have to be .57 mills for each \$1,000.00 valuation. If approved by the board, our proposed millage would be sent to the Township Attorney for correct wording to be sent to the county for the November election. Motion made by Barnes to proceed with the ballot proposal for the Mosquito Control and Suppression millage proposal. Second by Samotis
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- E) Resolution 2022-11** - This resolution 2022-11 is directed toward the election workers. Currently our Election Inspector Chairperson makes \$12.00 an hour during the election. This resolution will bring her wage up to her regular hourly payrate as a Utility Billing Clerk of \$17.73. The election workers are now making \$9.95 and we are proposing \$10.00 an hr for them. Barnes made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-11. Second by Ramsdell
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- F) Resolution 2022-12** - This resolution would increase the Dues/Publ/Fees account from \$4,000.00 to \$5,800.00 because of the Chamber of Commerce dues being taken out twice this year. Once in January for 2021 and once this month for 2022. Ramsdell made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-12 To Amend the 2022 budget. Second by Barnes
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- G) Resolution 2022-13** – This resolution increases the budgeted Use of Fund Balances by \$1800.00 to account in the budget for Resolution 2022-12. Ramsdell made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-13 To Amend the 2022 Budget. Second by Cinquino
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried

BOARD COMMENTS: Trustee Barnes stated her disappointment regarding the lack of opportunity for Mrs. Hock and Ms. Wilbur, from the Oscoda/AuSable Senior Center, to give their presentation to the Oscoda Township Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Manuela Kress, a resident of Huron Sands Condominiums, relayed the lack of effectiveness from mosquito treatment. She had not noticed a difference this year from the AMP Mosquito Control application. Supervisor Beliveau suggested contacting the company and give them feedback and ask for an extra application since this year is paid by the township.

Steve Porter was in attendance to apprise the trustees of this current situation regarding an alley which is located next to his home. He is seeking support from the township to provide to his lawyer to have the alley deemed to be part of his property. Supervisor Beliveau explained that AuSable Township does not have any ownership or interest in the alley and if the board desires, could have the township attorney compose a resolution *in favor of* or *would not impede* his progress to retain ownership of the alley.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Cinquino
Second by Barnes
Unanimous –
Motion Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm

Submitted By:
Susie Olpere
Recording Secretary

Kevin Beliveau, Supervisor
Charter Township of AuSable